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## **ART HOARD** IS RESCUED

## **DAVID McHUGH Associated Press** AUGSBURG, Germany (AP)

 It started with a routine check by German tax inspectors — and resulted in the discovery of an art hoard so vast and spectacular that no one yet knows how the story truly



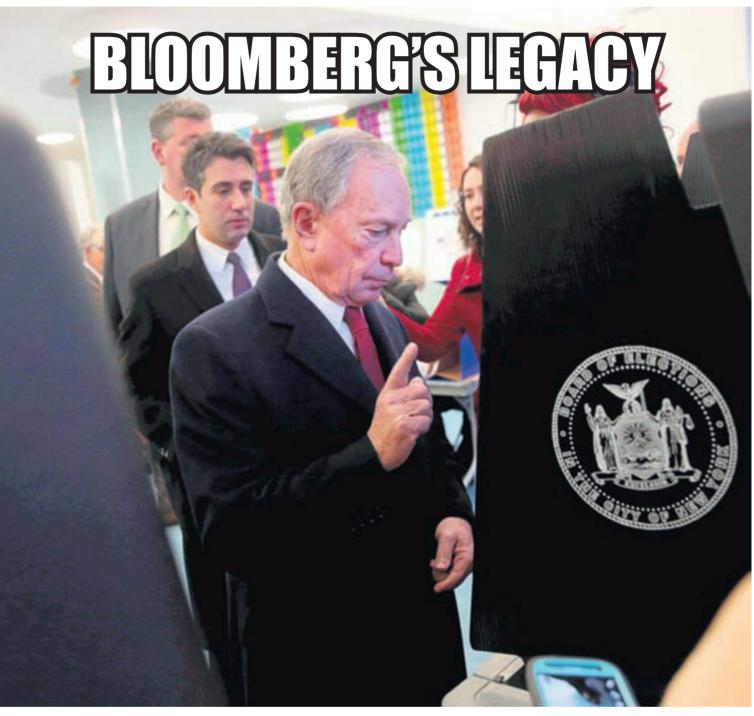
A painting from Henry Matisse "Sitzende Frau" ("Sitting Woman") is projected on a screen during a news conference in Augsburg, southern Germany, Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013, on the art found in Munich. (AP Photo/Kerstin Joensson)

On a high-speed train from Zurich to Munich on Sept. 22, 2010, Germany's briskly polite officialdom was on the lookout for customs and tax cheats. Thousands of German citizens had bank accounts in Switzerland, many of them undeclared, and the route from Zurich was a prime target for those carrying substantial sums of cash.

One elderly man on the train raised their suspicions and prosecutors launched a preliminary tax probe against him.

Two years later, in February 2012, the trail led to the man's apartment in a wealthy district of Munich. Once inside, inspectors found a far more alitterina prize than smuggled cash or evaded taxes.

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New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg votes at a polling center in the Upper East Side of the Manhattan borough of New York, Nov. 5, 2013. Voters in New York City will take to the polls Tuesday to decide their next mayor.

(Michael Appleton/The New York Times)

# New York considers De Blasio and Lhota for Mayor

**Marc Santora Julie Turkewitz** © 2013 New York Times

**NEW YORK -** New York City voters headed to the polls Tuesday to decide whether The Democratic candifirst time in two decades. In a campaign dominated by discussions about police tactics, income inequality and the legacy of Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, voters were presented with a stark choice between a

politician who bills himself

as having a progressive liberal vision for the city and one with a more conservative, bureaucratic approach to governance.

they would put a Demo- date, Bill de Blasio, held cording to election officials crat back in control of the a commanding lead in and campaign aides. nation's largest city for the pre-election polls, draining For some voters interviewed some of the excitement out of the contest and leading him to warn his supporters in the days before the election not to get complacent. His Republican rival, Joseph J. Lhota, evoked stunning upsets of years past, hoping that he could surprise

the many prognosticators who have all but written him off. But as evening approached, turnout at the city's 1,200 polling places was low to moderate, ac-

at polling stations around the city, the election was a referendum on 12 years of Bloomberg's tenure.

Darrian Smith, 48, a custodian at Public School 150 in Brooklyn, practically shouted de Blasio's name when asked which candidate would get his vote. He said de Blasio represents a significant departure from what he called Bloomberg's dictatorial style.

De Blasio, the city's public advocate, appeals to him, he said, because of his commitment to reform the police tactic of stopping, questioning and frisking people in high crime neighborhoods.

"I was a victim of it myself, twice," Smith said.

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## German art hoard held unknown Chagall, Matisse

### **Continued from Front**

A huge collection of hidden artwork that sheds new light on some of the 20th-century's master painters and reawakens painful memories of Germany's Nazi past.

The paintings, drawings, engravings, woodcuts and prints numbered more than 1,400 in all and were created by an all-star roster of modern art: Marc Chagall, Henri Matisse, Pablo Picasso, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Oskar Ko-

the Nazis — so who were they taken from and who now are their rightful owners?

At a news conference Tuesday in Augsburg, Germany, prosecutors wouldn't identify the elderly suspect, citing tax secrecy laws and the ongoing investigation. They did say he hasn't asked for the artwork back and that they were not currently in contact with him.

Prosecutors are probing whether he improperly acquired the works, but no charges have been filed Cologne. A legal adviser for Lempertz, Karl-Sax Feddersen, told The Associated Press that the seller was Gurlitt's son Cornelius.

The German magazine Focus also reported that Cornelius Gurlitt was the man under investigation.

Neither Cornelius Gurlitt nor his lawyer could immediately be reached for comment Tuesday.

The mystery now turns to the art.

The 121 framed and 1,285 unframed works found in one room at the apartment were "professionally

It's unclear how many of the works might be subject to return to pre-World War Il owners.

Speaking at the news conference, prosecutor Reinhard Nemetz said investigators have turned up "concrete evidence" that the find includes both works that the Nazis classed as "degenerate art" and seized from German museums in 1937 or shortly after, and other works that may have been taken from individuals.

The Nazis often forced Jewish collectors to sell



STAN LEHMAN Associated Press

sAO PAULO (AP) — Brazil's intelligence agency monitored French spies it suspected of involvement in the 2003 explosion at a satellite launch base, the Folha de S. Paulo newspaper said Tuesday, though it was finally determined they played no role.

The newspaper said it had obtained documents from the Brazilian Intelligence Agency that showed its agents had tracked French spies near the Alcantara Rocket Launch Center in the northeastern state of Maranhao a year before the blast.

When the explosion occurred, killing 21 engineers and technicians, suspicion fell on the French.

Citing unnamed sources, the newspaper said the agency known as ABIN carried out at least three operations against what it called a "network of spies" from France's foreign intelligence agency and its activities in the French-Brazilian Technical and Scientific Cooperation Center and in Brazil's National Space Research Institute. But it said no evidence of

sabotage was found and the explosion finally was blamed on poor maintenance and mechanical failures.

The base, which is being rebuilt, could be a rival to France's Guiana Space Center in Kourou in neighboring French Guiana.

The Alcantara center is just 2.3 degrees south of the equator.

Because the earth's rotation is faster at the equator, rockets can be launched into space using less fuel and with heavier payloads. Alcantara-based rockets could be sent into space using 13 percent less fuel than those from Cape Canaveral, Florida, and 31 percent less than from Kazakhstan's Baikonur cosmodrome.

The French Embassy said it would not comment on the report.



Cars are parked outside the apartment building in Munich, Germany, where 1,500 artworks were found. The German government says it is helping Bavarian prosecutors investigate a huge art find related to pieces seized by the Nazis from Jews and art that the Nazis considered "degenerate."

koschka, and leading German artists Otto Dix, Max Liebermann, Ernst Ludwig Kirchner. At least one older work was in the trove: a 16th-century engraving of the Crucifixion by Albrecht Duerer.

Some pieces — ones by Matisse, Chagall, Dix — were previously unknown, not listed in the detailed inventories compiled by art scholars.

Investigators' excitement at the find was tempered by a disturbing question. At least some of the works had apparently been seized by and prosecutors say there may not be any.

Although prosecutors didn't name the suspect, heirs of the late Jewish collector Alfred Flechtheim issued a statement saying the case raised "justifiable suspicions" that some works the Nazis had taken from him might have been bought by Hildebrand Gurlitt, an art dealer who acted for the Nazis.

A Max Beckmann painting that once belonged to Flechtheim was sold two years ago through the Lempertz auction house in

stored and in a very good condition," said Siegfried Kloeble, head of the customs investigations office in Munich.

He said it took a specialist company three days to remove the paintings; officials refused to say where they are being kept now. Investigators, aided by a leading art historian, are trying to establish the artworks' legal status and history. So far, officials said they have done at least preliminary research on only about 500 of the pieces.

their art at pitifully low prices to German dealers or simply took them.

(AP Photo/Marc Mueller)

"Degenerate art" was largely modern or abstract works that Adolf Hitler's regime believed to be a corrupt influence on the German people. Many such works were later sold to enrich the Nazis.

An art expert working with prosecutors said those sales are legally valid, even if other works in the collection may eventually be found to belong to survivors of Nazi persecution or their heirs.



## Toronto mayor admits crack use, plans to keep job

### **ROB GILLIES Associated Press TORONTO** (AP)

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford acknowledged for the first time Tuesday that he smoked crack "probably a year ago," when he was in a "drunken stupor," but he refused to resign despite immense pressure to step aside as leader of Canada's largest city.

Ford said he loves his iob and "for the sake of the taxpayers, we must get back to work immediately."

Allegations that the mayor had been caught on video smoking crack surfaced in news reports in May. Ford initially insisted the video did not exist, sidestepped questions about whether he had ever smoked crack and rebuffed growing calls to step down.

The mayor was forced to backtrack last week after police said they had obtained a copy of the video in the course of a drug investigation against a friend of Ford's.

"Yes, I have smoked crack cocaine," Ford told reporters earlier outside his office. "There have been times when I've been in a drunken stupor. That's why I want to see the tape. I want everyone in the city to see this tape. I don't even recall there being a tape or video. I want to see the state that I was in." Later, in a prepared statement, Ford said he had "nothing to hide now."

Authorities have said the video, which has not been released publicly, does not constitute enough evidence to charge the mayor with a crime.

Police have said they want to talk to the mayor, but his lawyer so far has declined. Police spokesman Mark Pugush Ford's said acknowledgement of crack use will be passed on to investigators. Several Toronto city councilors called on Ford to step down and Canada's justice minister urged him to get help.

# New York considers De Blasio and Lhota for Mayor

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"There's not one African-American man I know that I can say has not been stopped and frisked."

Samuel Jusino, 49, said he agreed with de Blasio that Bloomberg had essentially created two cities: one for the rich and one for every-

said. "It's worse, to me." Loriann Panariello, 50, a stay-at-home mother who lives in Brooklyn's Brownsville neighborhood with three children, said she was supporting Lhota because she feared that de Blasio was not tough enough on crime.

She said that she realized there was little chance that

Brownsville," she said, "there should be stop-andfrisk. Too many innocent young kids are dying of gun violence."

De Blasio arrived an hour behind schedule to cast his ballot in at a library in Brooklyn. He has made his family a centerpiece of his campaign, with both his son and daughter featur-

floating on air because my daughter's here with us." Lhota also arrived with his family to vote at Congregation Mount Sinai in Brooklyn Heights around 9:15 a.m.

"Everything I've done I've wanted to do, and I'm looking forward to tonight," he said.

The lopsided polls that have consistently showed de Blasio with a lead of as much as 40 points were expected to depress voter turnout.

Jerry Skurnik, a Democratic political consultant, predicted that turnout would be around 1.2 million - about what it was in 2009, when Bloomberg was widely expected to win a third term. Another Democratic consultant, Bruce D. Gyory, predicted turnout between 1.1 million and 1.25 million. There are 4.3 million active registered voters in New York City.

De Blasio is hoping to ride the wave of populist momentum that has sustained him since September, when he emerged from a crowded field to win the Democratic nomination. An overwhelming victory might help him win support for his long list of policy ideas, including his signature proposal, a plan to raise taxes on wealthy residents to pay for an expansion of prekindergarten and after-school programs.



Democratic mayoral candidate Bill de Blasio waves as he arrives to meet potential voters outside the Eastern Parkway subway station on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013, in the crown heights section of Brooklyn, N.Y. De Blasio, 52, seems poised to become the first Democrat elected mayor in more than a generation, replacing Michael Bloomberg who helmed the nation's biggest city for 12

one else.

As an example, he cited his own rent, which has gone to \$580 from \$421 a month for his one-bedroom home. "Bloomberg has been here so many years and the city is not getting better," he

Lhota could win, but that she felt compelled to vote because she fears that the city could "return to what it used to be: Crime.

Violence. Innocent people losing their lives."

"In certain areas like

## (AP Photo/Bebeto Matthews)

ing prominently in television advertisements.

"This is the greatest gift I could have on Election Day is to have my daughter with us today," he said. "As we wait for the results of the day, I'm already

# Christie poised for big win in off-year US vote

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, a possible Republican presidential candidate, looked for a big re-election victory in one of the marquee races in the United States' off-year elections Tuesday. Elsewhere, Republicans were in danger of losing the governor's seat in Virginia in a blow to the tea party movement.

scrutinized for clues to the to require the labeling of mood of Americans ahead of next year's congressional elections — especially with a pragmatic conservative Republican, Chris- cent and dedicate the

tie, likely to prevail in New Jersey while a more ideological one, Ken Cuccinelli in Virginia, is expected to

But the answers could be murky. Both races were shaped by the personalities and issues in those states and it could be hard to judge if there are national implications.

In Washington state, vot-The off-year vote will be ers were deciding whether genetically modified food. And in Colorado, they were considering whether to tax marijuana at 25 per-

proceeds to regulating the newly legalized drug and building schools.

Turnout was expected to be relatively light — even in the most hard-fought races — given that it was not a presidential or congressional election year, and voters were primarily hardcore partisans.

Christie was looking for a big win over Barbara Buono, a state senator, that would show he could draw support from Democrats, independents and minori-

That could position him to argue that his emphasis of struck New Jersey.

pragmatism over ideology makes him the most electable Republican in what could be a crowded 2016 presidential primary field.

But it's not clear if Republican primary voters, who tend to be more conservative and ideological than the general electorate, will warm to the brash northeastern governor.

Republicans were fuming when, in the final weeks of last year's presidential campaign, Christie lavished praise on President Barack Obama for his response to a devastating storm that



# Senators grill top official on Obamacare rollout

STEVEN R. HURST Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A senior official involved in implementing President Barack Obama's health care plan says the program's sign-up website continues to improve since its stumbling launch more than a month ago, but senators of both parties at a hearing Tuesday expressed deep concern about the troubled start of the overhaul.

The problems with Health-Care.gov, the site where Americans are supposed to be able to buy insurance plans, have given Republicans new lines of attack against the health law, which they unsuccessfully tried to derail last month in a fight that led to a 16-day partial govern-

ment shutdown

Marilyn Tavenner, head of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, told a Senate committee that the website is now able to process nearly 17,000 registrants per hours with almost no errors. She did not say how many individuals have enrolled for health care through the site. The administration has refused to divulge those numbers, and says they will be made available at midmonth.

Adding to the woes is a wave of cancellation notices reaching consumers whose current individual insurance policies don't meet requirements of the 3-year-old law, better known as "Obamacare." Republican Sen. Lamar Alexander said that runs



Medicare chief Marilyn Tavenner testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013, before the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee hearing as the panel seeks reassurances about problems with the debut of the Affordable Care Act. Republicans on the committee emphasized their longstanding criticism of the law, citing examples of cancellations and increased costs while raising questions about cyber-security for healthcare.gov.

counter to Obama's promise that if consumers were satisfied with their current plans, they would not have to change it.

"As the president promised, if you like your health care plan, you can keep it, but in fact the plan cancels millions of individual policies," Alexander said. Alexander also asked if the administration, would sup-

Alexander also asked if the administration would support legislation introduced in the Senate to allow individuals to retain their existing coverage if they want to. In response, Tavenner said she hadn't read the legislation, and took no position on it. White House spokesman Jay Carney declined comment on specific legislation to allow Americans in the private market place to retain current coverage.

Obama's presidential legacy will depend heavily on the successful implementation of the Affordable Care Act, which aims to extend health insurance to millions of Americans now lacking it.

Sen. Tom Harkin, the Democrat committee chairman, expressed his party's uneasiness over the troubled start-up. "I am as upset as anyone with the difficulties that individuals who want to apply for coverage on the federal marketplace have experienced," Harkin said. "And I want to learn today how those problems will be fixed."

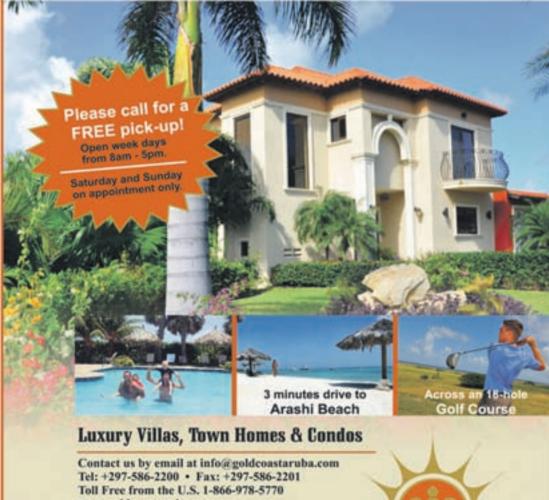
While hoping that the administration can deliver its latest promise that the website will be running

(AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite) smoothly for most people by the end of November, Democrats acknowledge there's no clear evidence yet that will happen. The website went down again in the middle of the day Monday for about 90 minutes. Tavenner was close to the day-to-day work of setting up the enrollment website, handled by experts within her agency and outside contractors. Through the summer, she assured Congress that everything was on track for a reasonably smooth launch of new health insurance markets in all 50 states.

HealthCare.gov was supposed to provide one-stop shopping for people who don't have a health plan on the job. Its target audience is not only uninsured Americans but those who already purchase coverage individually. Middleclass people can sign up for private coverage made more affordable by tax credits that act like a discount on premiums. Lower-income people will be steered to an expanded version of Medicaid in states that agreed to expand that safety net pro-

A new study released Tuesday estimates the potential size of the market nationally at 28.6 million people. The nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation says three out of five, or more than 17 million people, will be eligible for tax credits.

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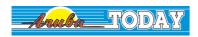


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# Suspect is dead in New Jersey mall shooting



Kevin Shoop (right) and an unidentified girl speak with reporters in front of the home where his twenty-year-old brother Richard lived in Teaneck, N.J., Nov. 5, 2013. Richard Shoop allegedly walked through the Garden State Plaza Mall Monday night firing a weapon and sending thousands of people running, then shot and killed himself early Tuesday morning, authorities (Yana Paskova/New York Times)

## **MARC SANTORA** PATRICK McGEEHAN © 2013 New York Times

A gunman who caused widespread panic at a large northern New Jersey mall on Monday night as he walked through the hallways, firing his weapon in the air, shot and killed himself Tuesday morning, authorities said.

No customers or employees were injured by the man, identified by the authorities as Richard Shoop, 20, of Teaneck, N.J.

Shoop entered the Garden State Plaza in Paramus around 9:20 p.m. Monday and roamed the hallways of the shopping center, shooting in the air and at security cameras, before taking his own life, according to the Bergen County prosecutor, John Molinelli.

His body was found by authorities at 3:20 a.m. Tuesday, "very, very deep in an area that was under construction" in the mall, Molinelli said.

Shoop was found with a firearm that had been modified to look like an AK-47 assault rifle, Molinelli said.

"It was a lawful weapon that was owned by his brother," he said. Authorities said they believed Shoop had stolen the gun before heading to the mall.

shots, authorities said, and although no bystanders were injured, he caused widespread panic.

"Thousands of people began to run out of the mall," Molinelli said. "At least 400 patrons were locked into whatever store they were in at the time."

Kevin Shoop, Richard Shoop's brother, spoke on the family's front lawn Tuesday.

"My brother intended to harm nobody else but himself," he said. "Sadly," he continued, his brother chose "an act of self-indulgence by taking his life publicly."

Shoop did not say whether he was the owner of the gun used by his brother.

"He used a weapon that did not belong to him," he said. "And he took his life with it."

Beside Shoop and in back of him were two women, identified by neighbors as his sister and mother. He talked for less than two minutes, looking pained, and once heaving a heavy sigh.

"This was a sporadic act; this was something that none of us saw coming," he said. "It's a tragedy to us all."

In the shopping center Monday, Richard Shoop was wearing a black leather jacket and a black mo-Shoop fired at least six torcycle helmet with a red stripe, the visor lifted up at times so witnesses could see his face.

It was unclear when Shoop fired his first shot, but by 9:15 p.m., witnesses said, it was clear that something was wrong. Fabio Rocha of North Bergen, N.J., got a frantic call from his wife, Maria, from inside the mall, saying she had just walked past a man with a "big gun." She fled and found a place to hide, but like many who described coming face-to-face with Shoop, she said he did not aim his weapon at her. In fact, early reports from witnesses suggested that he did not take any opportunities to inflict harm on the people in the mall. Instead, witnesses described seeing him shoot at security cameras or into the air.







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# Town struggles after pinning hopes on factory

# KIRK JOHNSON © 2013 New York Times POCATELLO, Idaho - With

great fanfare, a Chinese polysilicon factory broke ground on 67 acres here starting in 2007.

Then, as the rest of the nation tumbled into recession, the plant rose up in shimmering promise, leaving this tough-edged railroad town - blue collar and union in a sea of southeast Idaho potato farms - feeling pretty good about the future.So what if the company wanted breaks and concessions? The decision by the city to buy the land and lease it back almost free seemed like a bargain at \$1.4 million, given the potential payoff.

Subcontractors and suppliers from around the nation and world were also arriving to build the \$700 million plant and discovering - so residents and business leaders hoped - Pocatello's small-city charm. And the hundreds of production jobs in the end would be a big step toward the dream of a high-technology future, picking up where railroad and manufacturing jobs had faded.

Now, 18 months after shutting completely, the factory, which was to produce materials used in solar panels, stands ghostly and silent. It never went into full operation, and in the global collapse of silica prices, it probably never will, solar industry experts said.

Wooden crates of equipment, some never opened, sit stacked where they were left, like time capsules from a lost world. And instead of being discovered by entrepreneurs and venture capitalists, Pocatello's name - linked to a bankrupt company accused by its biggest U.S. creditor of

fraud and racketeering in a federal lawsuit - has now rippled out in all the wrong ways, residents said.

"It makes me sick think-

ing about the waste," said Brian C. Blad, the mayor of this city of 54,000 people. At the downtown federal courthouse where the bankruptcy of the Hoku Corp. is unfolding, lawyers for unpaid creditors - look-

ing to collect, not spend -

in Grand Rapids, Mich. "We're not General Motors."

Pocatello's road was tough before Hoku ever came to call. It lost many of its good railroad jobs when Union Pacific consolidated operations in Utah. A potato processing factory in a neighboring town - about 10 percent of the workforce commutes there from Pocatello - has said

gling local shopping mall is scheduled to go up for auction this month.

Booming areas within driving distance, such as the energy drilling areas in North Dakota and the strong economy of Salt Lake City, two hours to the south, have kept the local unemployment rate lower than the national average. But that only masks the trouble, residents said.



The administration building for the closed Hoku Materials plant in Pocatello, Idaho, in October, 2013. The town welcomed the Chinese polysilicon factory with a land deal in 2007, but now the bankrupt company has rippled the town's name out in all the wrong ways, residents said.

(Bill Schaefer/The New York Times)

have descended in force. Hoku collapsed with about \$1 billion in debts, and a list of unpaid creditors in more than a half-dozen states and countries. They include big names like Oracle and KPMG, the accounting firm, and small contractors like Industrial Piping Inc., of Pineville, N.C., which has about 300 employees, and a \$13.6 million unpaid Hoku invoice.

"The debacle in Pocatello was a very large hit," said T.?J. Bucholz, a spokesman for Industrial Piping, which is majority-owned by an equity capital company

it will close next year. And like Idaho as a whole, it has suffered from a downward spiral in wages.

From 37th place in per capita income in the mid-1990s, the state is now 49th, kept from the bottom only by Mississippi, according to federal figures. Part-time jobs have been among the fastest-growing employment categories in recent years, with almost 1 in 4 jobs statewide offering less than full-time hours - the fifth-highest rate in the nation. Many downtown businesses are vacant and up for lease, and the strug"It's one of Idaho's greatest failures," said Roger Chase, Pocatello's former mayor, talking about jobs and low pay scales.

Chase struck the deal with Hoku and is running again Tuesday for his old job against Blad. But in a mostly civil campaign, neither man is blaming the other for how things turned out. In addition to the local land deal, Hoku also got \$2.2 million in federal grants for solar development, according to federal officials, and a promise of job training money from the state.

# Court dubious in poisoning case that cites treaty

Associated Press
WASHINGTON (AP) — A
love triangle that ended

love triangle that ended with a woman poisoning her pregnant rival spawned a debate over chemical weapons, international relations, federalism and chocolate at the Supreme Court Tuesday, with justices left trying to make sense of how a jealous wife ended up being prosecuted for violating an international chemical weapons treaty. Carol Anne Bond is challenging her conviction, saying that the federal government's decision to charge her using a chemical weapons law was an unconstitutional reach into a state's power to handle what her lawyer calls a domestic dispute. Bond, unable to carry children of her own, was excited when her best friend Myrlina Haynes announced her pregnancy. But Bond later found out her husband of more than 14 years, Clifford Bond, was the father.

Bond, a laboratory technician, stole the chemical 10-chloro-10H phenoxarsine from the company where she worked and purchased potassium dichromate on Amazon. com. Both can be deadly if ingested or exposed to the skin at sufficiently high levels.

Bond combined and spread the chemicals on Haynes' door handle and in the tailpipe of Haynes' car. Haynes noticed the bright orange compound but could not get local police interested in investigating. She called at least a dozen times, but police suggested that she take her car to a car wash and suggested that the chemicals might be cocaine.



## **US Financial Front:**

# American service firms expand more quickly in October



Server Brittany Hester runs food out from the kitchen at the Home Grown restaurant, in Atlanta. The Institute for Supply Management issued positive U.S. nonmanufacturing (servicesector) data for October, on Tuesday, Nov. 5 2013. (AP Photo/David Goldman)

C. S. RUGABER

AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Activity at U.S. service firms accelerated in October behind a jump in sales and more hiring, suggesting businesses largely shrugged off the partial government shutdown.

The Institute for Supply Management said Tuesday that its service-sector index rose to 55.4 in October, up from 54.4 in September. Any reading above 50 indicates expansion.

The expansion at service firms echoes an ISM survey of manufacturers released last week, which showed the fastest growth at factories in 2½ years. Combined, the two reports suggest the private sector is showing steady growth and was not greatly affected by the shutdown.

The increase "supports other evidence suggesting that the wider economy shrugged off the government shutdown," said Paul Dales, an economist at Capital Economics. "With the shutdown over, the index may rise further in November as any postponed activity takes place."

The service-sector report measures growth at companies that employ 90 percent of the workforce, including retail, construction, health care and financial services.

A measure of their sales jumped 4.6 points last

month to 59.7. And a gauge of hiring rose 3.5 points to 56.2. Measures of new orders and new export orders fell.

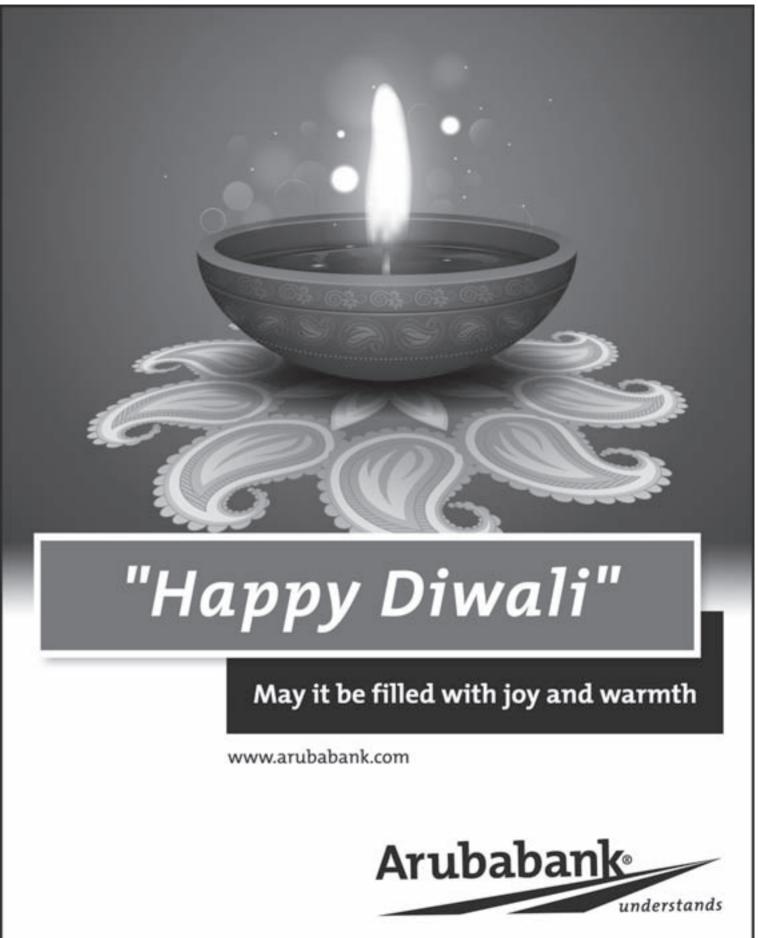
Anthony Nieves, chair of the ISM's service-sector survey, noted that some companies in the hotel, restaurant and retail industries complained about the shutdown. One retailer also cited concerns about the cost of health care reform. But those concerns "did not seem to translate into the numbers that we see here."

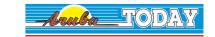
The increase in the hiring index suggests service firms added more jobs.

The October employment report will be released Friday.

Many economists expect it will be weak because of the 16-day shutdown, which furloughed about 450,000 federal workers. And it likely caused temporary layoffs at government contractors and other businesses that depend on government services, such as parks.

Analysts forecast that employers added just 122,000 jobs last month, below September's 148,000. The unemployment rate is forecast to have risen to 7.3 percent.





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# UN envoy: No deal on Syrian peace talks date



US Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs Wendy Sherman arrives for a meeting with the UN Joint Special Representative for Syria Lakhdar Brahimi and the Russian deputy foreign ministers Mikhail Bogdanov and Gennady Gatilov at the European headquarters of the United Nations, in Geneva, Switzerland, Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013. The meeting takes place to assess prospects of peace talks in Geneva between Syrian President Bashar Assad's government and a united opposition delegation.

(AP Photo/Jean-Christophe Bott)

## **JOHN HEILPRIN Associated Press**

**GENEVA (AP)** — After a rocky day of U.N.-brokered talks, the United States and Russia failed to agree on a date to bring Syria's warring sides back to the negotiating table, and the two powers remained divided Tuesday over what role Iran should play in a hoped-for Geneva peace conference.

The U.N.-Arab League's top envoy to Syria, Lakhdar Brahimi, told reporters at the end of the talks involving the U.S., Russia and other nations that the impasse did not mean all hopes of resuming negotiations from June 2012 were dashed. Another round of U.S.-Russian talks on arranging a second peace conference in this city is planned for Nov. 25.

"We are still striving to see if we can have the conference before the end of the year," he said.

Brahimi said one of the biggest hurdles is various divisions among the Syrian opposition. "It is no secret to anyone that the opposition has a lot of problems and is working seriously to overcome these problems to reach a position and to appoint a convincing delegation to represent them in Geneva, and that is what has delayed us a bit," he said.

The diplomatic talks among world powers in Geneva at the U.N.'s elegant Palais des Nations contrasted sharply with the heavy shelling and missile attacks being waged in a civil war that both sides still believe they might win on the battlefield.

Diplomats ran into repeated roadblocks Tuesday. World powers strongly disagreed over what diplomatic steps to take to resolve the fighting and what any future Syrian leadership beyond President Bashar Assad's government should look like.

Syria's information minister, Omran al-Zoubi, said the Assad government is not ready to negotiate handing over power. Syrian opposition leaders have insisted that Assad be excluded from Svria's future leadership for any talks to take place.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, whose nation has staunchly backed Assad, again insisted that fellow Assad supporter Iran be part of any talks on ending the Syrian conflict.

# Italy to divert cruise ships from historic Venice

## **COLLEEN BARRY Associated Press**

MILAN (AP) — A special commission on Tuesday approved a plan to divert cruise ships away from Venice's historic center by 2016, but activists seeking tecture. to rid the city of the giant Venice Mayor Giorgio Or- two years to complete. tions about the proposed new route.

The fatal sinking of the Costa Concordia in January 2012 ratcheted up pressure to divert the ships from the central Giudecca canal and St. Mark's Basin. Currently, cruise ships pass

feet) of St. Mark's Square, granting a stunning view to those aboard the ship but presenting a jarring sight against the backdrop of Venice's Byzantine archi-

ships expressed reserva- soni said the decision "fi- A committee of citizen nally inverts the tendency toward gigantism in the lagoon."

> A commission comprised of government ministers and local officials approved digging a new canal so ships can enter the lagoon from the west, avoiding the

within 300 meters (1,000 historic center, Premier Enrico Letta's office said in a statement.

The Venice Port, which campaigned successfully to preserve the existing passenger terminal, estimates the project will take

opposed to the cruise ship traffic in Venice called the ship diversion "a first victory for our movement," but said it will now concentrate its campaign on the environmental impact of the new canal, calling that project "devastating."

In the meantime, smaller ferries will be banned beginning in January from passing through Venice, reducing traffic in front of St. Mark's by one-quarter, while cruise ship traffic will be reduced by 20 percent. Last year, 661 cruise ships arrived with 1,775 passengers, according to Venice Passenger Terminal statis-

As of Nov. 1, 2014, ships larger than 96,000 tons, with a capacity of 3,000 to 3,500 passengers, will be banned from Venice.





## Philippines, US disagree in troop deploying talks

## JIM GOMEZ **Associated Press** MANILA, Philippines (AP)

— The Philippine defense chief said Tuesday that disagreements between U.S. and Filipino negotiators are prolonging talks on an accord allowing an increase in American military presence in the country.

Negotiations began in August on a defense agreement that would allow larger numbers of U.S. troops to have temporary access to Philippine military camps and bring in aircraft, ships and other equipment. U.S. troops have already been allowed to train Filipino anti-terrorism forces in the southern Philippines since 2002.

Defense Secretary Voltaire Gazmin said one key issue involves a U.S. failure to clearly accept Philippine control over and access to temporary American facilities to be set up in local camps.

"They can't say yes or no but what will happen if we won't have access? Those bases will look like their bases," Gazmin said in a telephone interview.

"You can say there is a kind of an impasse, a disagreement," he said, but added he was optimistic that the differences could be overcome.

U.S. Embassy officials did not immediately comment.

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# Egypt's ousted Morsi in high-security prison

## **SARAH EL DEEB Associated Press**

CAIRO (AP) — Deep in the desert and far from his former base of power, ousted President Mohammed Morsi is being held in a sprawling penitentiary that is notorious as one of Egypt's highest-security prisons.

The move appears aimed not only at isolating him from other Muslim Brotherhood leaders who are jailed in Cairo but also to prevent his supporters from staging protests — or even trying to engineer a prison break, like those that occurred during the Arab Spring uprising of 2011.

Morsi spent his first night at the Borg el-Arab prison in a hospital room at the facility, complaining of high blood pressure and high blood sugar after a dramatic court appearance earlier Monday, the start of his trial on charges of inciting the killing of protesters in December 2012. The trial was adjourned by the judge for two months.

Morsi, 62, has been reported to have a number of ailments, including diabetes and a peptic ulcer. His room in the prison hospital has a TV set and a private bathroom, security officials said.

The 50-acre prison compound, about 30 kilometers (19 miles) from Alexandria, is garrisoned by a special unit of the security forces and sits behind layers of high concrete walls. New

a mile beyond the prison gates have been set up to make it more difficult for Morsi's supporters to congregate in the area for possible protests.

Security officials said Borg

checkpoints stretching for fears about the possibility more than 40 prisons, of jailbreaks, especially after Morsi and more than 30 Brotherhood leaders were freed from another remote prison at the height of the 2011 uprising that deposed autocratic leader Hosni

springing thousands of inmates.

"I think moving him there was mainly a security concern," said Mohammed Zarie, the head of a human rights institution that works



An Egyptian newspaper vendor displays a copy of a morning newspaper fronted by a picture of Egypt's ousted President Mohammed Morsi in Cairo, Egypt, Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013. (AP Photo/Amr Nabil)

el-Arab prison was the preferred choice of Egyptian authorities after Morsi spent four months in a secret military facility, held virtually incommunicado since he was ousted July 3 in a popularly backed military coup. The security officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to the media.

Mubarak.

Morsi is still under investigation for the case and may yet face charges of conspiring with the Palestinian militant group Hamas to break out of prison.

The Borg el-Arab compound was one of the few complexes attacked without success during the uprising, when officials said highly organized attacks occurred at 11 of Egypt's

on reforming Egypt's criminal laws and frequently visits prisons. "They want to avoid a security disaster." The complex is one of Egypt's newest prisons, built in 2004 and designed as a maximum-security facility. There are two sets of buildings: one for detainees awaiting sentence and another for inmates convicted of serious crimes, including those on death row.  $\square$ 

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# Kerry, in Mideast, tries to prod Israeli-Palestinian talks

MARK LANDLER **JODI RUDOREN** © 2013 New York Times

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JERUSALEM - With Middle East peace negotiations showing signs of lapsing into an all-too-familiar paralysis, Secretary of State John Kerry arrived here Tuesday night for a flurry of meetings aimed at jolting the Israeli and Palestinian leaders to reinvigorate the three-month-old round of

An absence of progress on the core issues, an ill-timed Israeli announcement of plans to build or advance 3,500 more housing units in East Jerusalem and the West Bank, and grousing by Israeli and Palestinian officials about each other's motives are contributing to a sense that the negotiations are sputtering, like so many previous efforts to bridge the gaps between the two sides.

"He is trying to give a push," said a senior American official, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because of the delicacy of the matter, adding that the talks were bogging down "both because of short-

term irritants and slowness at getting at fundamental issues."

Kerry had been a tireless prod since the direct negotiations began in late July, meeting for hours at a time with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel and the Palestinian president, Mahmoud Abbas, in neutral sites like New York, London, and Rome. But after a brief period of withdrawal to deal with other problems, he is returning to the region to throw himself back into the process.

His back-and-forth schedule bears all the hallmarks of shuttle diplomacy. Kerry is to meet Netanyahu here on Wednesday morning, then to drive to nearby Bethlehem, on the West Bank, to sit down with Abbas, before returning for dinner with Netanyahu. Kerry will circle back with Abbas in Amman, Jordan, on Thursday evening.

American officials have disclosed little about the details of the talks, though the senior official said that negotiations over Israel's security and the economic development of the Pales-



U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry, left, shakes hands with Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu at the prime minister's office in Jerusalem, Israel. Kerry headed to Israel and the Palestinian territories on Tuesday, Nov. 5, hoping to breathe life into peace talks that have quickly run into trouble. No visible signs of progress have been achieved, and both sides have reverted to a familiar cycle of finger pointing.

Until this week, Israeli and

Palestinian officials had

honored a pledge not to

sions.

tinian-administered West Bank had emerged as bright spots in the discus-

publicly discuss the internal discussions to avoid poisoning the atmosphere. But the first cracks in that facade have appeared, with Abbas bemoaning the lack of results in a speech and a senior Israeli official accusing the Palestinians of not negotiating in "good faith." The public criticisms from Abbas, in particular,

> according to former diplomats, by raising the pressure on him to produce results on an accelerated timetable, which in turn could strain his relationship

with Netanyahu.

complicate Kerry's task,

"After all these rounds of negotiations, there is nothing on the ground," Abbas said in a speech Sunday to officials of his Fatah Party. (AP Photo/Larry Downing, Pool)

"The negotiations are still without results."

On Tuesday, the Palestinian leadership published a fact sheet asserting that Israel had "escalated announcements of illegal settlement activity" since the resumption of talks. It cited the new housing units in the West Bank and East Jerusalem, including more than 2,000 for which tenders had been published this week.

But an Israeli official brushed off the criticism of settlement construction from Palestinian leaders, saying "Israel has scrupulously honored the understandings that were reached at the beginning of the current round of talks." Israel had warned Kerry it would continue to build in the settlements during the negotiations.



## November's 4 course dinner

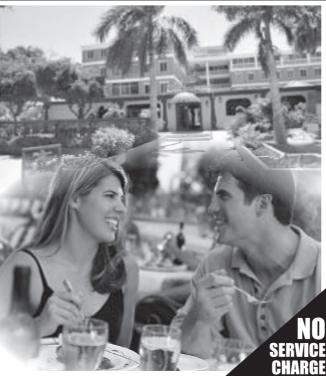
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# EU expects weak recovery to leave joblessness high

## JUERGEN BAETZ **Associated Press**

**BRUSSELS (AP)** — Europe's economy will continue to recover through next year, but at a subdued pace that will leave unemployment near record highs, the European Commission said Tuesday.

The Commission, the EU's executive arm, said rising business confidence and strengthening domestic demand are expected to underpin the recovery as governments also slow the pace of austerity measures such as spending cuts and tax increases.

"There are increasing signs that the European economy has reached a turning point," said the EU's Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs, Olli Rehn.

Growth, however, is likely to remain too weak to generate many new jobs.

European Union's economy is expected to grow 0.5 percent over the second half of the year, leaving it flat for the whole year, and expand 1.4 percent in 2014, according to the Commission's fall forecast. Its last predictions, issued in May, had expected a drop of 0.1 percent in

The 17-country eurozone is forecast to continue its recovery from recession, from which it emerged in the second quarter. However, over 2013 as a whole, the eurozone is still expected to record a decline of 0.4 percent. For next year, the Commission is penciling in 1.1 percent growth, downward marginally from its previous forecast of 1.2 percent.

Rehn said governments' deficit reductions and reforms "have created the basis for recovery." But the forecasts show that will do little to alleviate the plight of the jobless.

Unemployment in the eurozone is expected to remain at its record high of 12.2 percent this and next year, dropping only modestly to 11.8 percent in 2015.

In the wider, 28-country EU, which includes members like Britain and Poland who don't use the euro currency, unemployment is expected to dip from 11.1 percent in 2013 to 11 percent next year.

Furthermore, despite the recovery, the eurozone's economic output remains about 3 percent below the level recorded in 2008, when the alobal financial crisis was entering its most acute phase and Europe's debt crisis hadn't yet started, the report said.



Dori Galletero, who is 47 and unemployed, third from left, hands a written agreement to leave the apartment in two months to a Kutxa bank representative, right, following the postponement of her eviction in Madrid, Spain, Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013.

(AP Photo/Andres Kudacki)

# China warns local leaders to cut industry bloat

## **JOE McDONALD AP Business Writer**

**BEIJING** (AP) — Chinese leaders have ordered local officials to stop expanding industries such as steel and cement in which supply outstrips demand, a Cabinet statement said Tuesday, in a sign previous orders to cut overcapacity were ignored.

Beijing has been trying since 2009 to cut excess production capacity, which has triggered pricecutting wars that threatsome industries.

But lower-level whose promotions depend on economic development have continued to support local industries.

In a video conference on the country's biggest so-Monday, planning officials warned local leaders to stop ignoring orders to reduce overcapacity in in-

dustries including steel, cement, aluminum and glass. "Those who still violate discipline will be heavily punished," said the deputy director of the Cabinet planning agency, the National Development and Reform Commission, Hu Zucai, according to the government newspaper China Daily.

Economists and business warn industrial groups overcapacity could hurt Chinese banks if unprofitable companies default on

China's solar panel manuen the financial health of facturers have been especially hard-hit by excess production capacity and price-cutting.

In March, the main Chinese subsidiary of Suntech Power Holdings Ltd., once lar panel producer, was forced into bankruptcy court after missing a \$541 million payment to bondholders.

That unit was sold to a state-owned company.

In other industries, large amounts of production capacity are idle, the Cabinet statement said.

Cement manufacturers use only 71.9 percent of their capacity as of the end of 2012, according to the statement. The steel industry used 72 percent while the rate for glass manufacturers was 73.1 percent.

The scale of overcapacity is unprecedented, the

China Daily said, citing Zhu Hongren, chief engineer of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology.

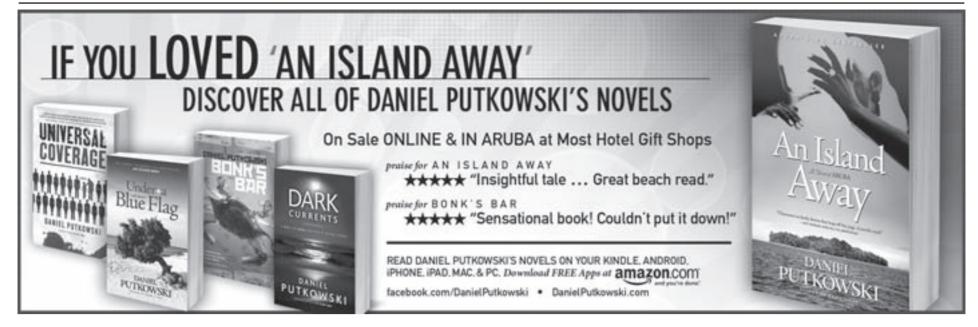
Beijing has tried to prod producers in many industries into mergers to reduce output. But lower-level officials in many areas prop up unprofitable local companies with rent-free land and

The conflict is fed by a political system in which Communist Party officials are judged on their role in economic development.

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# US hijacker in Cuba headed home after 3 decades

**PETER ORSI Associated Press** 

HAVANA (AP) — An American fugitive hijacker said Tuesday he is going home to face justice nearly three decades after he commandeered a plane, flew to Cuba and was thrown behind bars rather than greeted as a fellow revolutionary.

William Potts said U.S. diplomats in Havana contacted him earlier in the day to report that his travel arrangements were made and he could leave on a charter flight to Miami on Wednesday morning, accompanied by American officials. "As I understand it when I land in Miami the federal escorts will turn me over to U.S. marshals, and what happens after that I couldn't tell you," Potts told The Associated Press by phone from his home in Havana. "I hope to be arraigned soon.'

A spokeswoman for the U.S. Interests Section said the diplomatic mission did

comment on Potts' case. Cuban officials did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

not have any immediate Potts, now 56, was a young man in 1984 when he pulled a gun hidden in a plaster cast and hijacked a commercial flight headed from New Jersey to Florida. He ordered it to the Communist-run island, where he expected that Cuba would offer him guerrilla training.

Instead, authorities convicted him of air piracy and jailed him for more than 13 years.

On Tuesday, Potts said he seeks "closure" by facing U.S. legal authorities. He argued that the time he served in the Combinado del Este prison outside Havana should mitigate further punishment in the United States, but acknowledged there's no guarantee.

"I'm ready for whatever," Potts said. "My position is, of course, I did the crime and I did the time, and the United States has to recognize that."

U.S. authorities have aggressively prosecuted some returning fugitives, while others saw their sentences reduced significantly for time served elsewhere.

Potts said he looks forward to reuniting with family he hasn't seen in many years, but is also anxious about returning from exile.

"I've got kind of mixed emotions, let me say that at least, about touching American soil for the first time in nearly 30 years," he said. "So much has changed, and I'm just going to have to wait and see what it looks like when I get there." For years Potts has made his livelihood as a farmer in an eastern suburb of the Cuban capital. He married a Cuban woman with whom he had two children. They have since divorced, but remain close and live together in a modest two-bedroom home in a Cold War-era apartment



U.S. citizen William Potts, second from right, greets his neighbors playing chess near his home in Havana, Cuba, in October, 2013. Years after he hijacked a plane traveling from Newark to Miami in 1984, which landed in Cuba, Potts is optimistic that he'll soon be heading home. While he faces virtually certain arrest upon return, he said he believes that the time he served in Cuba will allow him to avoid a lengthy second jail term. In Cuba, Potts was convicted of air piracy.

(AP Photo/Ramon Espinosa)

# Mexico imposes military control over seaport

**ADRIANA LICON Associated Press** MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexi-

co's military has taken control of one of the nation's of an effort to bring drugcartel activity under control in the western state of Michoacan, officials said this week. Federal security spokesman Eduardo Sanchez said soldiers are now responsible for policing duties in the city of Lazaro Cardenas as well as in the

name. The port is a federal entity separate from the city. "We have received city of Lazaro Cardenas anonymous tips that lead have been replaced by biggest seaports as part us to believe there has soldiers while they undergo been corruption and col-drug testing and police lusion from people at the port," Sanchez said.

Sanchez said navy personnel will take over as heads of the administration and port captaincy of the seaport. He said about 156 customs and tax inspectors and officials at the seaport

Pacific seaport of the same will be rotated out of their Templar drug cartels have positions gradually.

> All 113 police officers in the training, Sanchez added.

The port of Lazaro Cardenas is the country's largest in terms of cargo volume and it has seen a number of huge seizures of precursor chemicals used to make methamphetamines. The Sinaloa and Knights been identified as gangs that engage in the production of methamphetamine. The Knights Templar cartel is based in Michoacan and is fighting vigilante "selfdefense" groups for control of the state. The Knights Templar, a pseudo-religious gang that takes its name from the ancient monastic order, has set fire to lumber yards, packing plants and passenger buses in a reign of terror in the state.

# Passions on the Beach preparing a unique Culinary Experience



 Hosted by Courtney Cataruzolo, Regional Sales Director, Jordan Vineyards

**EAGLE BEACH** - Most days, Passions on the Beach enjoys a loyal following for offering the most romantic dinner experience in Aruba, however on Thursday, November 7th, 2013, the restaurant intends to pair its exquisite dishes and its sugary white sands with the high-ranking Jordan brand, presenting an unforgettable culinary experience, starting with a reception on the beach at the Amsterdam Manor on Eagle Beach at 6:30pm, followed by a wonderful five-course dinner (Limited seating available) paired with fabulous vintages of Jordan Vineyards at 7:00pm, priced at \$55.- per person, plus service charge and tax. Reservations for the one-of-a-kind evening can be made at the Amsterdam Manor Resort, Tel.: 527 1118 or by contacting foodandbeverage@amsterdammanor.aw.

The toes-in-the-sand dinner will unfold to the soft sound of the waves caressing the shores, among the dancing shadows of the softly-lit tiki torches, to live music, in an unforgettable tropical ambiance.

The chef of Passions on the Beach created an excellent menu to go with the award winning wines of Jordan Vineyards, imported to Aruba by Arion Wine Company NV, starting with an amuse of quinoa salad, cucumber, fresh mint and olive oil, goat cheese, poached pineapple and green apple with almond butter chased by a 2011 Mouton Cadet Sauvignon

Blanc, from Bordeaux The appetizer, France. layers of smoked salmon and poached grouper wrapped in grilled zucchini, served with a parsley aioli will be paired with 2010 Jordan Chardonnay, Russian River Valley, Sonoma County, California. The much-anticipated main course will feature petit filet mignon, with a traditional Bordelaise sauce, on a bed of roasted aarlic mashed potatoes and green asparagus, paired with 2003 Jordan Cabernet Sauvignon, Alexander Valley, Sonoma County, California. For dessert dark chocolate cake with aged-balsamic-seasalt accompanied with red fruit macedoine and toasted pistachios, will be paired with 2004 Jordan Cabernet Sauvignon, Alexander Valley, Sonoma County, California.

While helping put the menu together, Courtney Cataruzolo explains that Jordan Vineyards specialize solely in the production of ultra-premium, vintage dated Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay from Sonoma County, California. For 30 years, Jordan has consistently produced elegant, approachable,

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Local and visitors are invited to join Courtney Cataruzolo, Regional Sales Director, Jordan Vineyards, at Passions on the Beach, on November 7th, 2013, at 6:30pm, to grab life by the grapes, for just one unforgettable night.

## Ruthlene Thomas promoted to supervisor of Caribbean Clothing Co

PALM BEACH - The Salamander Group is proud to announce that Ruthlene Thomas, who also recently celebrated her 15th year anniversary with the company, has been promoted to supervisor of "Caribbean Clothing Co," one of The Salamander Group's prestigious stores, located on the Main Street, Caya Betico Croes, in Oranjestad.

Ruthlene Thomas is originally from Bonaire. She flew to Aruba at the end of May 1998 for a job interview at The Salamander Group and was pleased with the decision of the company to accept her as a full time associate. Moving to Aruba then came naturally for Ruthlene, who embarked on a fresh start with a new career, and a new life on the island.

Ruthlene started working at The Juggling Fish and had the opportunity to contribute in different areas of the company. In 2006 she joined logistics for a period of 6 years, at the end of which she returned to her first love, the Salamander Group stores.



Ruthlene reports a deep sense of gratitude saying: "I am very proud of all that I have accomplished, working for the Salamander Holdings Group was my goal and I hope to stay with the company for many more years.

Jodi Tobman, Managing Director, The Salamander Group, states that "It has been joyful to watch Ruthlene experience growth, alongside the company. Having worked here for 15 years, it is exciting to see her take on new challenges".

The Salamander Group is excited to see Ruthlene grow and take on this new challenge in her career. The best of luck goes to her!



## "Family First" officially opened its doors!



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ladies: Annelies Schoop – President, Jennie Lion Sjin Tjoe – Managing Director, Thea Quammie – Family Support Worker.

Their vision is: Healthy families for a prosperous Aruba! Followed by their Mission statement: With the help of different centers all over the island Aruba reaching families and offering them guidance, information and services to help them on the right path of becoming a strong, healthy and prosperous family.

During the celebration with drinks and snacks an introduction of the team, a slide show was shown to the invited guests. After that, with a big smile on her face the Managing Di-



rector Jennie Lion Sjin Tjoe officially opened the front door as you can see on one of the pictures.

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## Robert and Joan Pipkins honored!

**EAGLE BEACH** - Recently the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure of honoring a very nice couple whom are loyal and friendly visitors of Aruba, as Ambassadors of Goodwill, at the Aruba Beach Club.

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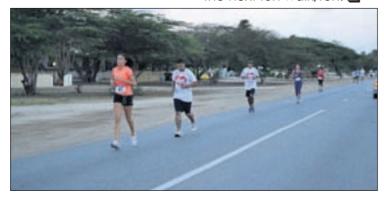
cided to donate the profits to local school "Duna un Man", a local elementary school for special children. With these funds they will be able to build a playground at the school with special toys.

Participants received a special T-shirt and fitness

towel with the logo ICare as a token of appreciation and had a chance to win great door prizes.

A big thank you to all participants and everyone who donated to Scol Duna un Man.

The Aruba Marriott team looks forward to see you at the next fun walk/run.











# SPURIS DAY

**NFL Roundup** 

# With Rodgers sidelined, Bears beat Packers 27-20

NANCY ARMOUR
AP National Writer
GREEN BAY, Wisconsin (AP)

— Chicago's Josh Mc-Cown stepped up in the absence of the injured Jay Cutler and led the Bears to a 27-20 win over rival Green Bay on Monday, while the Packers also lost a first-choice quarterback to injury, with Aaron Rodgers hurting his non-throwing shoulder.

The win snapped a run of six-straight defeats for the Bears against the Packers, while Green Bay's fourmatch streak also ended. But the far larger concern is over Rodgers, who hurt his left shoulder when he was sacked on Green Bay's first series by Shea McClellin. After being examined by medical staff he went to the locker room, and emerged in third quarter, waving to fans. The win moves the Bears into a three-way tie for first in the NFC North with Green Bay and Detroit, all at 5-3.

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Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers is sacked by Chicago Bears' Shea McClellin (99) and Isaiah Frey (31) during the first half of an NFL football game Monday, Nov. 4, 2013, in Green Bay, Wis. Rodgers left the game after the play. Associated Press

# Cabrera voted top player by big leaguers

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Detroit slugger Miguel Cabrera has won his second straight player of the year award in voting by his fellow major leaguers.

Cabrera followed his Triple Crown season of 2012 with another impressive year. He led the American League with a .348 average and had 44 homers and 137 RBIs, both second to Baltimore's Chris Davis. Cabrera edged Davis and the Angels' Mike Trout for the honor.

Retiring Yankees closer Mariano Rivera was voted Marvin Miller man of the year for excellence on and off the field, and Rivera was also picked as the AL's comeback player of the year, notching 44 saves after missing most of 2012 with a knee injury. Pittsburgh's Francisco Liriano was selected the NL's comeback player.

For the second consecutive year, Pirates center fielder Andrew McCutchen won NL outstanding player. Cabrera was selected AL outstanding player.

Other awards Monday night went to Detroit's Max Scherzer (AL outstanding pitcher), the Dodgers' Clayton Kershaw (NL outstanding pitcher), Rays outfielder Wil Myers (AL outstanding rookie) and Miami Marlins pitcher Jose Fernandez (NL outstanding rookie).



Detroit Tigers' Miguel Cabrera, right, poses with Major League Baseball commissioner Bud Selig, left, and Hank Aaron after Cabrera was presented with the Hank Aaron Award before Game 4 of baseball's World Series between the Boston Red Sox and the St. Louis Cardinals Sunday, Oct. 27, 2013. in St. Louis.

Associated Press

# **Bears beat Packers**

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Green Bay has been hit hard by injuries, with James Jones (knee) returning Monday after a two-game absence and sackmaster Clay Matthews (thumb) and tight end Jermichael Finley still out. Wide receiver Randall Cobb (leg) is also on the injured list-designated to return.

But a hurt Aaron Rodgers is Green Bay's ultimate nightmare.

With the 2011 NFL MVP almost as durable as predecessor Brett Favre — he hasn't missed a game due to injury since 2010 — a backup quarterback has been little more than an afterthought in Green Bay. But as the Bears demonstrated on Monday, quality understudies can be vital. Chicago signed McCown when Cutler was hurt two years ago, and his familiarity with his receivers and coach Marc Trestman's was evident on

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Monday.

While he may not have been dazzling, going 22 for 41 for 272 yards, he mixed his passes effectively to Brandon Marshall, Alshon Jeffery and Matt Forte, and Forte ran roughshod on the Green Bay defense — scoring one touchdown. Jeffery had five catches for 60 yards, including a 6-yard arab for the ao-ahead touchdown at the end of the third quarter. Marshall, largely shut down in two games against Green Bay last year, had seven catches for 107 yards and a score. Forte ran for 125 yards, and also had 54 yards receiving.

Better yet, McCown didn't do anything to hurt the Bears, which is more than Rodgers' replacement Seneca Wallace can say. Wallace hadn't played a game since the 2011 season finale, and the rust was evident. He was intercepted on his very first series and was sacked twice.



Chicago Bears' Brandon Marshall catches a touchdown pass with Green Bay Packers' Tramon Williams (38) covering during the first half of an NFL football game Monday, Nov. 4, 2013, in Green Bay, Wis.

Associated Press

The Packers had a secondand-goal from the Bears 5-yard line late in the third quarter but were forced to settle for a field goal after Wallace twice overthrew intended receivers. Green Bay would get no closer than the Bears 39 the rest of the game.

Wallace finished 11 of 19 for 114 yards, and was un-

able to provide the passing game needed to complement another big night by Green Bay rookie Eddie Lacy, who ran for 150 yards and a touchdown.





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Carter-Williams, left, is fouled by Minnesota Timberwolves' Othyus Jeffers in the second half of a preseason NBA basketball game Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2013, in Philadelphia. Timberwolves won 125-102. **Associated Press** 

## Carter-Williams equals Shaq with firstweek honor

NEW YORK (AP) - Philadelphia rookie Michael Carter-Williams has joined Shaquille O'Neal as the only NBA players to win a Player of the Week award to open a career.

Carter-Williams won the Eastern Conference honor after averaging 20.7 points and 9.0 assists in a surprising run of three wins in a week that included victories over Miami and Chicago. The No. 11 pick in the draft had nine steals in the 76ers' season-opening victory over the Heat, the most ever in an NBA debut. O'Neal won the award in 1992 while playing for Orlando.

Kevin Love won the Western Conference award after leading Minnesota to a 3-0 week and averaging an NBA-best 29.7 points.

## **NBA Roundup**

# Iguodala leads Warriors past Sixers

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Golden State's Andre Iguodala made a career-high seven 3-pointers and scored 32 points as the Warriors beat Philadelphia 110-90 on Monday, inflicting a first loss of the season on the 76ers after three-straight wins.

Golden State's Stephen Curry had 18 points, 12 assists and 10 rebounds, but Iguodala rightly stole the headlines with a sensational performance, scoring 27 points and six 3s in the first half. He also made the best play of the season thus far with a behind-theback pass in midair that hit David Lee in stride down the lane for a stunning assist.

Sixers rookie point guard Michael Carter-Williams, the Eastern Conference player of the week, missed 13 of 17 shots and scored 18 points.

Los Angeles Clippers 137, Houston 118

Los Angeles' J.J. Redick scored 19 of his 26 points in the first half to set up the Clippers' 137-118 win over Houston, which suffered its first loss of the season.

Chris Paul added 23 points and 17 assists, Jamal Crawford had 21 points, and Blake Griffin scored 18 for the Clippers, who led the entire game and tied a franchise record with 78 points in the first half.

Houston's Dwight Howard finished with 13 points and nine rebounds after getting roundly booed in his first game in Los Angeles since leaving the Lakers and signing with the Rockets in the NBA's biggest free agent move last summer.

The Clippers have won five in a row against Houston at



Golden State Warriors' Andre Iguodala celebrates after making a three-point basket during the first half of an NBA basketball game against the Philadelphia 76ers on Monday, Nov. 4, 2013, in Philadelphia.

**Associated Press** 

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Cleveland 93, Minnesota

Cleveland held off a late Minnesota rally to beat the Timberwolves 93-92.

The Wolves trailed by 23 2001-02. and nearly erased that but Kevin Love, the NBA's leading scorer, missed a 3-pointer with 1.9 seconds remaining and the ball was tipped away as time ran out.

C.J. Miles scored 19 points and Kyrie Irving added 15 for the Cavaliers.

Kevin Martin scored 23 points to lead Minnesota, which won its first three games and was off to its best start since going 6-0 in

points in the third quarter Cavaliers rookie forward Anthony Bennett, taken with the No. 1 pick in the draft, missed all three of his shots and is 0 for 15 from the field this season. His only points have come on two free throws in the season opener.

Memphis 95, Boston 88

Memphis' Jerryd Bayless keyed a fourth-quarter rally, scoring all of his 15 points in the period to lead the Grizzlies over Boston 95-88. Bayless was 6 of 7 in the quarter to help Memphis erase a six-point Boston lead with just under 9 minutes to play.

Zach Randolph and Mike Conley also had 15 for Memphis.

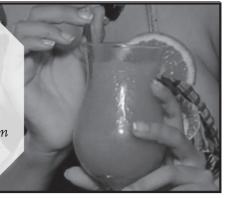
Jeff Green led the Celtics with 22 points as Boston fell to 0-4 under rookie coach Brad Stevens.

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# Stress of coaching can add up quick in the NFL

## TIM DAHLBERG **AP Sports Writer**

The hours are brutal, and so are the expectations of millions who sit in judgment of what you do on Sun-

Being a coach in the NFL isn't necessarily an automatic ticket to the emergency room. But the hospitalization of two coaches on one midseason weekend\_one after collapsing on U.S. primetime television\_is a scary reminder that the unrelenting pressure of trying to win games week after week can be hazardous.

"Football sure is stressful and coaching is a stressful occupation\_just like a lot of people's jobs are stressful," said Dan Reeves, who underwent heart surgery while coaching the Atlanta Falcons in 1998. "But it's such a time-consuming job that you don't really take care of yourself the way you should, and it's easy to have those things happen."

Like Denver's John Fox, Reeves knew he had heart issues during the season. Like Fox, he wanted to put them off as his team made a run to the playoffs.

And like Fox he ended up in the hospital while his team played without him. "Good thing I finally said something to a doctor," Reeves said, "or I could have had a heart attack." Fox underwent aortic valve replacement surgery on Monday, two days after feeling dizzy while playing golf near his offseason home in North Carolina. Predictably, the team issued a statement quoting the coach as saying he was disappointed to have to leave the team and looked forward to returning to the sidelines as soon



as possible.

Not so predictable is the future of Gary Kubiak, who collapsed while walking off the field at halftime on Sunday in a game his team would go on to lose in his absence. Though his Houston Texans issued a statement saying Kubiak was alert and in good spirits, he will remain in a Houston hospital at least through Tuesday while doctors run tests to find out what caused him to go down.

common: Both are suddenly powerless to do anything about it.

"It'll be tough on them, sitting there and thinking they can't do what they are supposed to do, that your job is to help your team,"

former coach Tony Dungy said. "You really feel that: 'I can't help my team.'"

The timing of the hospitalizations just a day apart was coincidental, though still a bit unsettling to the rest of the coaching fraternity. Kubiak's collapse came after a rare good half this season for the Texans, while Fox was enjoying a bye week in a season where the Broncos have enhanced expectations that they will be in the Super Bowl.

They're coaches of two Both make millions coachwinning is the only thing.

> "There is a lot of pressure on head coaches," Broncos executive John Elway said. "I think especially with the size of this game and the growth of this game, the ex

pectation levels have continued to grow. So that's a tough, tough spot."

Elway said he called Indianapolis general manager Ryan Grigson on Sunday to see how the Colts managed last year, when coach Chuck Pagano was diagnosed with leukemia and hospitalized. Pagano had been experiencing extreme fatigue and bruising but, like Fox, waited until the team's bye week to be checked out by a doctor.

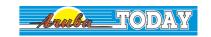
Pagano would return for teams going in different di- ing in the NFL, but the job the last regular-season rections, with one thing in comes at a price and with game, and the Broncos are the understanding that already preparing for the eventual return of Fox.

"This is Coach Fox's team," interim coach Jack Del Rio said. "I'm merely the person that's able to keep it running right now while he's healing."

Coaches around league talked Monday about how they try to deal with the stress of a job that takes place under an unrelenting spotlight. They praised team doctors for making sure they have regular physicals, and said they try to understand the warning signs that come with the job.

Then they went back to their offices to break down film and get ready for another Sunday where 70,000 people in the stadium and millions more at home are second guessing their every move.

"There are times when stress does things to you mentally and physically that nothing else does," said Arizona coach Bruce Arians, who took over for Pagano when he was sick.





By: Dr. Carlos Viana

Already in October the Christmas shows in the stores were set up to entice you to buy all the ornaments to decorate your home and business. Decorations and figures of a fat, red Santa are available, promising to put anyone in the Holiday Spirits. Medically, when I take a look at the store Santa figure, with his large rotund belly and red face that sports a bulbous nose I see many signs of heart attack candidate. Not that Santa Claus could have heart problems, not allowed.

As cute as round Santa seems to be, most people want to enter the Holiday Season looking fit and trim. In the next two months many people, especially women, are going to pay good money to join commercial weight loss programs in hopes of dropping a size or two. Unfortunately, people tend to regain the weight they lost following a program because once it's finished, they return to their normal eating habits. Furthermore, the body is always trying to fend off what it perceives to be starvation, and losing weight triggers hormone changes that make it difficult to

# Festival Figure

In the last eleven years in our grass-roots clinic we have seen all kinds of lose weight schemes. This

year I have listed all the erroneous beliefs that I have heard from our patients.

1. "Lose 30 pounds in 30 days." Any commercial weight loss programs or any other gimmick that pledges massive weight loss quickly is certainly not healthy, and not true. Permanent weight loss requires lifestyle change, not a quick fix. Loosing weight very fast usually means dehydrating your body and loosing muscle.

2. Lose weight by not eating. Without question the worse way to try to loose weight. Starving deprives the body of the nutrients it needs for life and can lead to serious illness. Plus you lose muscle mass, not fat. Even if you do lose pounds, you gain them back almost immediately when you start eating again.

3. Carbohydrates are bad for you. First it was fat, now carbohydrates are the bad guy. Insulin, stimulated by the excess simple carbohydrates in our overabundant consumption of grains, starches and sweets, together with sedentary lifestyles is responsible for all those bulging stomachs, fat thighs and chins. However there are healthy complex carbohydrates, such as vegetables, whole brown rice and quinoa, which provide vital vitamins, and fiber to aid digestion.

shedding pounds. Your brain is eighty percent fat; not fat you want to loose. Some fats like trans-fats found in processed foods and sweets are unhealthy. but many called essential fatty acids are good and necessary for your health. Your body is not going to be able to make your hormones without these fats.

> 5. Drinking Diet sodas help you loose weight. There's not one study that shows diet sodas help you lose weight. Meanwhile while you are drinking your liquid candy you are consuming chemicals that have shown to cause cancer.

> 6. Salad bars are healthy. Lunch meats with chemical salts, cheeses, oily dressings are not healthy choices. You have to choose foods at a salad bar wisely to loose weight. Meanwhile, "Iceberg" lettuce has absolutely no nutritional value.

> 7. Don't eat after 6 p.m. Europeans eat at 10 o'clock at night and they're half the size of Americans and Arubans. It is not what time you eat, it's what you eat and staying active for at least three hours after you eat. The worse eating habit here in Aruba after a night of drinking is to eat a late snack at a food truck and then home to bed.

8. Check your weight on a scale daily to check your progress. Checking your weight on a regular basis is an obvious way to gauge your progress and alter your diet accordingly; however, that scale tells you very little. I 4. Fat is bad for you. encourage patients to keep track of hip, thigh and stomach tummy centimeters and dress sizes that are much more enlightening.

9. To lose weight take a pill or have an operation to have your stomach made smaller. Wow, your insurance company may even pay some of these. You cannot replace healthy eating, exercise and lifestyle choices with a pill or operation. Drugs are not new, they have been tried for many years and both drugs and operations can be dangerous and have horrible side effects. A better choice includes natural dietary supplements which can safely balance nutritional deficiencies, aid in managing unhealthy eating, support restful sleep and increase energy.

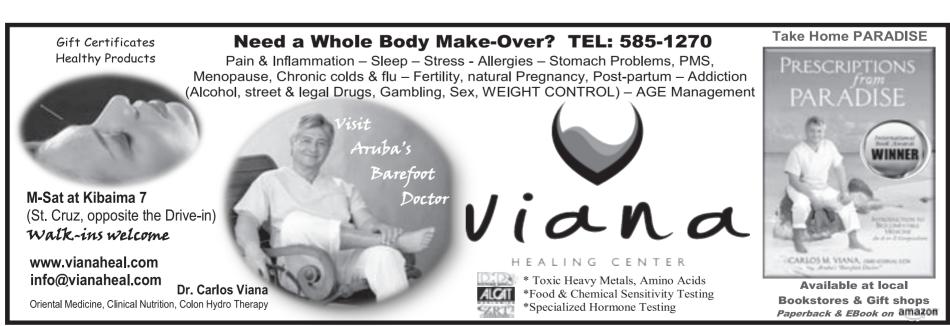
10. You have to join the gym. Actually, 30 to 60 minutes per day of moderate physical activity is all it takes to balance healthy food intake. It does not have to be strenuous exercise, just move your body by gardening, walking, swimming, SCU-BA diving, flying, dancing or having sex; just get of the couch.

Get The Point! That majority of Americans and Arubans are overweight, and an alarming number are clinically obese. In countries addicted to convenient processed foods this obesity is no coincidence. It is not the fat in the foods we eat but, far more, the excess simple carbohydrates from our starch and sugar loaded diets. These nutritionally deficient diets not only contribute to

increased weight but lead to a whole host of health problems. Want to enter the Holiday Season being fit and trim? That belly might look cute on Santa, but on you it is a major health risk. Call to make an appointment for a professional, safe, sensible weight loss program.

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# Google opens how-to shop with live video advice

# MICHAEL LIEDTKE AP Technology Writer SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

Google has opened a how-to shop that sells expert advice on everything from cosmetics to the cosmos in live video sessions streamed on computers and smartphones.

The service, called Helpouts, began taking calls for help Tuesday and offer connections to more than 1,000 merchants, instructors, websites and health care specialists who cleared Google Inc.'s background checks.

It represents Google's latest attempt to play an instrumental role in helping people manage their lives. Since establishing its search engine as the go-to place to find information online, Google has expanded into giving directions on digital maps and introduced a virtual assistant that is designed to learn about users' interests so it can provide helpful tips without prompting.

Helpouts is meant to fill the gaps in Google's search engine, which sometimes delivers unsatisfactory results because the answers being sought aren't available on a website, said Udi Manber, a Google executive overseeing the new service.

"Sometimes, you need someone to look over your shoulder. Sometimes you need someone to show you the way," Manber said.

For starters, Helpouts is offering to connect people with experts in eight different categories: art and music; computers and electronics; cooking; education and careers; fashion and beauty; fitness and nutrition; health; and home and garden.

The fees will be set by each expert, with 20 percent of the revenue going to Google for most video chats. For now, the Mountain View, California, company isn't collecting a commission for health ad-



This Jan. 3, 2013 file photo shows a Google sign at the company's headquarters in Mountain View, Calif. Google wants your permission to use your name, photo and product reviews in ads that it sells to businesses. The Internet search giant is changing its terms of service starting Nov. 11. Your reviews of restaurants, shops and products, as well as songs and other content bought on the Google Play store could show up in ads that are displayed to your friends and connections when they search on Google. You can opt out of sharing.

# UAE says online photos require subject's consent

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Authorities in the United Arab Emirates are warning social media users that photos of individuals posted online without their consent could lead to jail.

The comments carried Monday in Al Ittihad newspaper say posting photos or video without permission can bring up to six months in prison and fines as high as 500,000 dirhams, nearly \$140,000.

The UAE has some of the region's toughest enforce-

ment on Internet restrictions, but other Gulf countries could follow suit as they harmonize security and telecommunications policies.

The newspaper quotes Interior Ministry official Lt. Col. Salah al-Ghoul as saying the rules apply to social media sites or any "information network."

In July, Dubai police arrested a man who posted an Internet video of an Emirati beating a South Asian motorist after an apparent traffic altercation.

vice. Experts can charge a flat-fee per session or by the minute. If the advice is unsatisfactory, Google is promising to refund the money.

A Helpouts application is being offered for smartphones running on Google's Android software. The service isn't yet available for Apple Inc.'s iPhone or other mobile devices running on different software.

Besides opening up a source of new revenue for Google, Helpouts could give more people a reason to set up a profile on the company's social network, Google Plus. That's because a Google Plus account is required to seek advice on Helpouts. The company says it currently has about 540 million Google Plus users.

Helpouts is similar to several other online services that already provide connections to experts in various fields. Pearl.com, a San Francisco startup formerly known as JustAnswer.com, also sells live video sessions on a wide variety of subjects. HealthTap dispenses medical advice and RocketLawyer specializes in le-

gal matters. Google's new service also may end up competing with the company's own YouTube video site, which offers a wide array of how-to clips for free. This isn't the first time that Google has tried to supplement its search engine with the knowledge of human

The company also once ran a service that hired researchers to field questions about homework and other subjects. That service, which charged anywhere from \$2 to \$200 per question, closed down seven years ago.

## **Associated Press**



# Mixed earnings reports stall US stock market rally

**STEVE ROTHWELL AP Markets Writer NEW YORK (AP)** — The U.S. stock market is taking a break from its recordbreaking run.

Some weak corporate earnings reports on Tuesday held the market back, pushing the major indexes slightly lower.

record levels after a surge that has put the Standard & Poor's 500 index on track for its best performance since 2009. Stocks have advanced this year as the Federal Reserve kept up its stimulus program to help the U.S. economy recover. Investors are struggling,

The market is still close to egist at Wells Fargo Advi-

The S&P 500 index dropped 4.96 points, or 0.3 percent, to 1,762.97. The index is nine points below its record close of 1,771.95 set Oct.

The index is up 0.4 percent this month, a muted gain compared with October,

3,939.86.

Overall, corporate earnings for the third quarter have been better than analysts had forecast.

Earnings for S&P 500 companies are expected to grow by 5.2 percent in the July-to-September period, according to S&P Capital IQ. That's better than the 4.9 percent growth recorded in the second quarter and the 2.4 percent growth in the same period a year

Stocks could struggle to add to their gains in coming weeks, however, now that three-quarters of the S&P 500's earnings reports have been released, said Kristina Hooper, head of U.S. Capital Markets Research & Strategy at Allianz Global Investors. Investors may also be underestimating the impact that last month's government shutdown had on the economy, she said.

"What's concerning is what we're seeing for the fourth quarter," Hooper said. The forecasts companies are making "suggest that we could see some damage from the shutdown."

The overwhelming majority of earnings outlooks that companies have provided for the fourth quarter have been negative. Of the 78 companies that have provided investors with guidance, 60 have lowered their forecasts.

On Tuesday, Tenet dropped \$4.26, or 8.8 percent, to \$44. That decreased the stock's gain this year to 36 per-

less than 0.1 percent, at cent. Expeditors fell \$2.88 or 6.2 percent, to \$43.41.

> Investors are also waiting for the Labor Department's closely watched monthly jobs survey, which was delayed a week by the government shutdown. The report is due out Friday.

> In government bond trading, the yield on the 10year note climbed to 2.67 percent from 2.60 percent on Monday.

> The yield rose after a private survey showed that hiring and sales increased in the U.S. services sector last month. That suggests the sector wasn't affected by the partial government shutdown. The report measures growth at companies that employ 90 percent of the workforce, including retail, construction, health care and financial services. In the commodities markets, the price of oil fell \$1.25, or 1.3 percent, to \$93.37 a barrel. Gold edged down \$6.60, or 0.5 percent, to \$1,308.10 an ounce.

> Among other stocks making big moves:

> - Delphi Automotive fell \$2.99, or 5.2 percent, to \$55.01 after the company supplier to auto makers cut its forecast for the year and sales slid.

> CVS Caremark rose \$1.24, or 2 percent, to \$63.22 after its third-quarter income climbed 25 percent, beating Wall Street expectations. The drugstore operator and pharmacy benefits manager also raised its 2013 earnings forecast.



Specialists Paul Cosentino, and Michael Shearin, foreground left and right, work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Disappointing earnings reports pushed the stock market lower on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013, as investors waited for more news on the economy.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

Tenet Healthcare plunged after the hospital operator issued a disappointing outlook for this quarter and said that its third-quarter profit fell, in part because of costs associated with a big acquisition. Freight forwarder Expeditors International dropped after missing analysts' expectations for profit and revenue.

however, to find more catalysts to push the market higher. Investors already expect the Fed to keep up its stimulus until at least next year, and company earnings may start to flag if in the doldrums.

"We're going to run out of steam here," said Scott Wren, a senior equity strat- composite was up 3.27, or

when it rose 4.5 percent as investors bet that the Fed would continue with its economic stimulus after a 16-day government shutdown crimped growth and hurt consumer confidence. economic growth remains The Dow Jones industrial average was down 20.90 points, or 0.1 percent, to 15,618.22. The Nasdaq

# US home prices rise at slower pace in September

C. S. RUGABER **AP Economics Writer** WASHINGTON (AP) — A

measure of U.S. home prices rose only slightly in September from August, a sign that prices are leveling off after big gains earlier this year. Real estate provider CoreLogic said Tuesday that home prices increased 0.2 percent in September from the previous month. That's sharply lower than the 0.9 percent

August and the 1.8 percent increase in July.

Prices still rose 12 percent in September compared with a year ago.

Higher mortgage rates and prices slowed home sales in September. As a result, price gains have cooled off. Mortgage rates are still very low. And the average rate on a 30-year fixed loan has fallen to 4.1 percent in the past month, down nearly 4.6 percent over the summer."This deceleration is natural and should help keep market fundamentals in balance over the longerterm," said Anand Nallathambi, president and CEO of CoreLogic.

Many economists expect the housing market to keep improving, though with slower gains in home sales. Still, the spike in rates over the summer has weighed

month-over-month gain in from a two-year high of on the market. A measure all 50 states and in all 100 of signed contracts to buy homes fell 5.6 percent in September to the lowest level in nine months.

> There is generally a one- to two-month lag between a signed contract and a completed sale. The sharp drop in September suggests final sales will decline in the coming months.

The annual price gains are widespread, according to CoreLogic. Prices rose in of the largest U.S. metro areas.Price jumped 25.3 percent in Nevada from a year earlier, the most in any state. California (22.5 percent), Arizona (14.6 percent), Georgia (14.4 percent) and Michigan (13.9 percent) reported the next highest gains.

Home prices are still about 17 percent below the peak reached in April 2006, according to CoreLogic.



# Oil sliding below \$94

## **The Associated Press**

The price of oil dropped another 1 percent Tuesday to below \$94 per barrel, extending a month-long slide due to expectations of rising supplies.

Benchmark U.S. crude for December delivery fell \$1.25, or 1.3 percent, to \$93.37 per barrel in midday trading in New York. Brent crude, which is used to price international oil used by many U.S. refiners, fell 90 cents to close at \$105.33.

U.S. crude stockpiles have increased in each of the past six weeks, mostly because of rising domestic production, and were more than 10 percent above their five-year average near the end of October.

Figures for the week ending Nov. 1 are expected to show a further increase of 2.5 million barrels, according to a survey of analysts by Platts, the energy information arm of McGraw-Hill Cos.

The weekly supply report from the Energy Department's Energy Information Administration will be out on Wednesday.

Crude is down 10 percent since closing at \$104.10 on October 2. It had climbed above \$110 in early September amid instability in Egypt and the civil war in Syria. It began to sink later in September, and then its decline accelerated in October as Iran re-entered international talks over its nuclear program and rising U.S. crude stockpiles indicated muted demand.

Analysts say oil might have fallen further still if not for continued instability in Egypt and new fighting in Libya that is impacting Libyan crude exports. "The ongoing delivery outages in Libya are preventing prices from falling," said analysts at Commerzbank in Frankfurt. But the expectation is that oil has yet further to fall. Oil analyst Jim Ritterbusch wrote in a report at the end of tradina Tuesday that "both crude benchmarks still appear poised for additional price weakness."

# As US economy plods and pay lags, companies profit

RUGABER **KEN SWEET** 

**AP Business Writers WASHINGTON (AP)** — Look at the U.S. economy and you'll notice an unusual

disconnect.

The economy is being slowed by a tight job market, scant pay raises and weak business investment. Yet corporate profits are reaching record highs and fueling record stock prices.

sion struck six years ago, businesses have been relentless in cutting costs. They've also stockpiled cash rather than build new products or lines of business. And they've been earning larger chunks of their profits overseas.

All of which is a recipe for solid profits and tepid economic growth. The economy grew at a meager annual rate of just 1.8 percent years ago. Profits of companies in the Standard & Poor's 500 have nearly doubled since June 2009. Earnings appear to have risen again in the July-September quarter.

Big companies like Kellogg, FedEx and Best Buy have been slashing costs in the face of slowing revenue. Their strategy has been working: Despite sluggish revenue, their profits are wage growth to subdued levels," says Dean Maki, an economist at Barclays.

"That's left more for corporate profits."

Those solid earnings have helped boost stock prices. So has the Federal Reserve's drive to keep longterm interest rates near record lows: Lower bond yields have led many investors to shift money out of bonds and into stocks, thereby boosting stock prices.

The Dow Jones industrial average has jumped nearly 20 percent this year, closing at 15,639 on Monday, just below its record high.

"If we ended the year at these levels, it would be a phenomenal year," said Bob Doll, chief equity strategist with Nuveen Asset Management.

Here are factors economists cite for the gap between healthy corporate profits and subpar economic growth:

## — FLAT PAY

Wages and salaries equaled just 42.6 percent of the economy in the April-June quarter, near a record low set in 2011.

More than 8.5 million jobs were lost in the recession and its aftermath, leaving workforces leaner and more productive. Corporate revenue rose as the economy recovered.

But workers haven't benefited much. With unemployment still high, they've had little leverage to demand higher pay. Many have been happy just to have a job.

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In this combination of Associated Press file photos, Trader F. Hill Creekmore, left, smiles as he works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, and Ann Oganesian, right, pauses as she speaks about job opportunities during a job fair in Boston. The economy is being slowed by a tight job market, scant pay raises and weak business investment. Yet corporate profits are reaching record highs and fueling record stock prices. (AP Photo)

What gives?

How are companies managing to earn so much money in a sluggish economy? And why aren't their profits goosing the economy \$

For starters, weak job growth has held down pay. And since the reces-

in the first half of 2013. The unemployment rate is 7.2 percent, far above the 5 percent to 6 percent considered healthy.

Even so, corporate profits equaled 12.5 percent of the economy in the April-June quarter, just below a 60-year high reached two Burger King's sales dropped

last quarter as competition intensified. Yet the company's earnings surged because it cut expenses and enjoyed growth overseas. "Corporations have more market power than work-

ers have and have kept

# Dutch food delivery website now takes bitcoin

AMSTERDAM (AP) — The main website that arranges home delivery for restaurants in the Netherlands is now accepting payment in bitcoins, an increasingly popular form of digital cur-

Around 5,000 Dutch restaurants use the Thuisbezorgd. nl site to handle around 600,000 online orders and deliveries per month. The company's marketing manager, Imad Qutob,

said in a statement Tuesday that Thuisbezorgd wants to offer customers more choice in how they pay.

The company says around half its customers pay cash on delivery. Others pay via the site using debit cards, credit cards, PayPal or an online system run by Dutch banks.

Paying with bitcoins could save customers a little Thuisbezorgd change:

adds surcharges of up to one euro (\$1.35) for other forms of online payment. Bitcoin is a cryptographybased digital currency that advocates say is counterfeit-proof.

Its value is determined by supply — which is limited by its design — and demand. Among the various criticisms leveled at bitcoin are that it is too prone to price swings against other currencies to be useful.

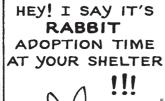
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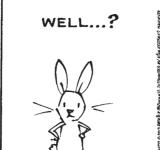
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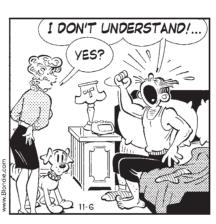
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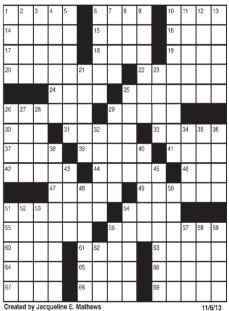
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# As US economy plods and pay lags, companies profit

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"We've just had a very lopsided economic recovery," says Ethan Harris, an economist at Bank of America Merrill Lynch.

Smaller paychecks have deprived Americans of money to spend. In the 30 years before the recession, consumer spending grew an average of 3.4 percent a year. Since 2010, just after the recovery began, it's risen just 2.2 percent a year.

"If workers don't have any money, businesses don't have any customers," says Nick Hanauer, an entrepreneur who has written about U.S. economic disparities. The stock market's gains have boosted total U.S. household wealth. But they haven't enriched most Americans. The wealthiest 10 percent of households own about 80 percent of stocks.

## — COST CUTTING

This week, Kelloga said it would cut about 7 percent of its workforce — 2,200 jobs — by 2017. The cuts are part of a "global efficiency and effectiveness program," the company said.

though Kellogg's Even sales were flat in the July-September quarter compared with a year earlier, it squeezed out 2.5 percent more net income. A key factor: It cut administrative and borrowing costs. Its shares have risen 15 percent in the past year.

FedEx is cutting jobs, too. And though its quarterly revenue rose just 2 percent, its earnings grew 7 percent. The company has cut maintenance costs by replacing older aircraft with more fuel-efficient planes. The shift helped reduce maintenance costs 11 percent in the June-to-August quarter.

The new planes are merely replacing older aircraft rather than expanding FedEx's fleet. So the economy doesn't stand to benefit as much.

The average sales growth of an S&P 500 company was 2.35 percent in the first six months of 2013, down from 3.76 percent in 2012, according to S&P Capital IQ. The average profit margin for an S&P 500 company widened from 8.1 percent to 9.1 percent in the same period.

## — CASH HOARDING

Higher profits could help the economy if corporations plowed them back into new plants, equipment and other projects. That hasn't happened.

"Corporations have been extremely cautious in their spending in this recovery," said Maki of Barclays.

Business spending on bigticket items like computers, industrial machinery and capital goods has remained about one-third below the average in previous recoveries, Harris estimates.

Instead, companies have stockpiled a record \$1.8 trillion in cash, according to the Fed, up nearly 10 percent since the recession ended in 2009. And thanks to the Fed's drive to keep rates low, big companies have been able to borrow cheaply and replace their higher-cost debt.

All that has bolstered corporate finances and helped boost stock prices even though companies remain reluctant to expand.

Improved finances are "great for the company and its stock price, but from the point of view of the broader economy, you'd prefer they use the money to hire more workers and invest in more projects," Harris says.

Why are companies holding back?

Economists say chronic budget fights in Washington and Europe's financial crisis have left executives uncertain about the economy and reluctant to commit to big projects. So have the uncertain consequences of the Obama administration's health care law, said Mark Vitner, an economist at Wells Fargo Securities.

## - GLOBALIZATION

Rising international competition has lowered wages as a share of the economy in most developed countries, according to the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development, a think tank in Paris. About one-tenth of the decline is due to competition from lower-wage countries, the OECD found.

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# Study: 8.8 billion Earth-size, just-right planets

**SETH BORENSTEIN AP Science Writer** (AP) WASHINGTON

Space is vast, but it may not be so lonely after all: A study finds the Milky Way is teeming with billions of planets that are about the size of Earth, orbit stars just like our sun, and exist in the Goldilocks zone — not too hot and not too cold for life. Astronomers using NASA data have calculated for the first time that in our galaxy alone, there are at least 8.8 billion stars with Earthsize planets in the habitable temperature zone.

The study was published Monday in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Science.

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As for what it says about the odds that there is life somewhere out there, it means "just in our Milky Way galaxy alone, that's 8.8 billion throws of the biological dice," said study co-author Geoff Marcy, a longtime planet hunter from the University of California at Berkeley.

The next step, scientists say, is to look for atmospheres on these planets with powerful space telescopes that have yet to be launched. That would yield further clues to whether any of these planets do, in fact, harbor life.



This artist's rendition provided by NASA shows Kepler-69c, a super-Earth-size planet in the habitable zone of a star like our sun, located about 2,700 light-years from Earth in the constellation Cygnus. Astronomers using NASA data calculate that in our galaxy alone there are at least 8.8 billion Earth-sized planets that are not too hot or not too cold circle stars that are just like our sun, according to a study published Monday, Nov. 4, 2013 in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Science. For perspective, that's far more Earth-like planets than there are people on Earth. **Associated Press** 

The findings also raise a blaring question, Marcy said: If we aren't alone, why is "there a deafening silence in our Milky Way galaxy from advanced civilizations?"

In the Milky Way, about 1 in 5 stars that are like our sun in size, color and age have planets that are roughly Earth's size and are in the habitable zone where lifecrucial water can be liquid, according to intricate calculations based on four years of observations from NASA's now-crippled Kepler telescope.

If people on Earth could only travel in deep space, "you'd probably see a lot of traffic jams," Bill Borucki, NASA's chief Kepler scientist, joked Monday.

Kepler telescope peered at 42,000 stars, examining just a tiny slice of our galaxy to see how many planets like Earth are out there. Scientists then extrapolated that figure to the rest of the galaxy, which has hundreds of billions of stars.

For the first time, scientists calculated — not estimated — what percent of stars that are just like our sun have planets similar to Earth: 22 percent, with a margin of error of plus or minus 8 percentage points. Kepler scientist Natalie Batalha said there is still more data to pore over before this can be considered a final figure.

There are about 200 billion stars in our galaxy, with 40 billion of them like our sun, Marcy said. One of his coauthors put the number of sun-like stars closer to 50 billion, meaning there would be at least 11 billion planets

Based on the 1-in-5 estimate, the closest Earth-size planet that is in the habitable temperature zone and circles a sun-like star is probably within 70 trillion miles (113 trillion kilometers) of Earth, Marcy said.

And the 8.8 billion Earth-size

planets figure is only a start. That's because scientists were looking only at sunlike stars, which are not the most common stars.

An earlier study found that 15 percent of the more common red dwarf stars have Earth-size planets that are close-in enough to be in the not-too-hot, not-toocold Goldilocks Zone.

Put those together and that's probably 40 billion right-size, right-place planets, Marcy said.

And that's just our galaxy. There are billions of other galaxies.

Scientists at a Kepler science conference Monday said they have found 833 new candidate planets with the space telescope, bringing the total of planets they've spotted to 3,538. but most aren't candidates for life.

Kepler has identified only 10 planets that are about Earth's size circling sun-like stars and are in the habitable zone, including one called Kepler 69-c.

Because there are probably hundreds of planets missed for every one found, the study did intricate extrapolations to come up with the 22 percent figure a calculation that outside scientists say is fair.

"Everything they've done looks legitimate," said Sara Seager, an astronomer at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

## India launches first mission to Mars

## By KATY DAIGLE **Associated Press**

NEW DELHI (AP) -- India on Tuesday launched its first spacecraft bound for Mars, a complex mission that it hopes will demonstrate and advance technologies for space travel.

Hundreds of watched the rocket carrying the Mars orbiter take off from the east-coast island of Sriharikota and streak across the sky. Many more across the country watched live TV broadcasts.

Officials at the space center described it as a "text-

book launch." If the mission is successful, India will become only the fourth space program to visit the red planet after the Soviet and Europe.

"Capturing and igniting the young minds of India and people across the globe will be the major return from this mission," mission director P. Kunhikrishnan said from the launch site.

> After 44 minutes, the orbiter separated from the rocket and entered into an elliptical path around Earth. Over the next 20-25 days, it will perform a series of

technical maneuvers and short burns to raise its orbit before it slingshots toward Mars.

"With teamwork and the Union, the United States kind of dedication we have today, any mission is not beyond our capability," said S. Ramakrishnan. head of the space center and launch authorization

> 1,350-kilogram (3,000-pound) orbiter Manaalvaan, which means "Mars craft" in Hindi, must travel 780 million kilometers (485 million miles) over 300 days to reach an orbit around the red planet next



rying India's Mars spacecraft from the east coast island of Sriharikota, India, Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013.

**Associated Press** 

September.

"The biggest challenge will be precisely navigating the spacecraft to Mars," said K. Radhakrishnan, chairman of the Indian Space and Research Organization. "We will know if we pass our examination on Sept. 24, 2014."

# In Marvel Comics, Ms. Marvel returns as Muslim teen

## MATT MOORE Associated Press

Marvel Comics is bringing Ms. Marvel back as a 16-year-old daughter of Pakistani immigrants living in Jersey City named Kamala Khan.

The character — among the first to be a series protagonist who is both a woman and Muslim — is part of Marvel Entertainment's efforts to reflect a growing diversity among its readers while keeping ahold of the contemporary relevance that have underlined its foundation since the creation of Spider-Man and the X-Men in the early 1960s.

Writer G. Willow Wilson and artist Adrian Alphona, working with editor Sana Amanat, say the series reflects Khan's vibrant but kinetic world, learning to deal with superpowers, family expectations and adolescence. Amanat calls the series a "desire to explore the Muslim-American diaspora from an authentic perspective" and what it means to be young and lost amid expectations by others while also telling the story of a

teenager coming to grips with on board to write the series and having amazing powers. the team quickly got approval

"I wanted Ms. Marvel to be true-to-life, something real people could relate to, particularly young women. High school was a very vivid time in my life, so I drew heavily on those experiences — impending adulthood, dealing with school, emotionally charged friendships that are such a huge part of being a teenager," said Willow, whose previous comics work includes Vertigo's "Cairo" and the series "Air." "It's for all the geek girls out there and everybody else who's ever looked at life from the fringe."

She can grow and shrink her limbs and her body and, Willow said, ultimately, she'll be able to shape shift into other forms. The idea came after a discussion with senior editor Stephen Wacker as they compared stories about growing up.

From there it germinated into a "character for all those little girls who are growing up now the way you are growing up," she recalled. Wilson was brought

on board to write the series and the team quickly got approval from Marvel's creative committee to move forward.

DC Comics last fall relaunched its "Green Lantern" series with Simon Baz, an Arab American and Muslim. There have been a few others: Marvel Comics has Dust, a young Afghan woman whose mutant ability to manipulate sand and dust has been part of the popular X-Men books. DC Comics in late 2010 introduced Nightrunner, a young Muslim hero of Algerian descent reared in Paris.

The creative team said that Khan's backstory, growing up Muslim, is an element of the story, but not the critical foundation, either. "Kamala is not unlike Peter Parker," said Marvel Editor-In-Chief Axel Alonso of the teenager turned wall crawler. "She's a 16-year-old girl from the suburbs who is trying to figure out who she is and trying to forge an identity when she suddenly bestows great power and learns the great responsibility that comes with it."



This comic book cover image released by Marvel Comics shows character Kamala Khan on the "Ms. Marvel" issue. The new monthly Ms. Marvel is debuting as part of the Company's popular All-New Marvel NOW! initiative.

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This June 29, 2013 file photo shows Pitbull performing at the iHeartRadio Ultimate Pool Party at the Fontainebleau Hotel in Miami. Pitbull will be host for the American Music Awards on Nov. 24.

**Associated Press** 

# Pitbull to host **American Music Awards**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Pitbull Estefan's appearance on will host the American Music Awards.

The Miami rapper will perform his song "Timber" with Ke\$ha during the Nov. 24 awards show, to air live from Los Angeles on ABC, it was announced Tuesday. The 32-year-old, whose real name is Armando Christian Perez, was chosen in part for his Latino heritage as the AMAs celebrate the 25th anniversary of Gloria

the show and the 15th year of the favorite artist Latin category. Estefan was the first Latin AMA performer. Pitbull will be joined in performance by lead nominees Macklemore & Ryan Lewis, Miley Cyrus, Lady Gaga, Kendrick Lamar, One Direction, Luke Bryan and Florida Georgia Line. Macklemore and Lewis are up for six awards, including

artist of the year.

# AP source: Lady Gaga, manager **Troy Carter split**

## **CHRIS TALBOTT AP Music Writer**

Lady Gaga and her manager Troy Carter have split just days before the pop star releases her new album, "ARTPOP."

A source familiar with the situation confirms the two have split over creative differences. The source was not authorized to speak about the break publicly and requested anonymity. Carter signed Gaga in 2007 and the two have worked

together since as the "Poker Face" singer rose from club act to international superstar. The 27-year-old pop provocateur has sold nearly 9 million albums and become one of music's more colorful figures during their partnership.

The move comes after Gaga's tearful performance Sunday of new song "Dope" on the You-Tube Music Awards and as she prepares to release her third album next Tuesday.

# Jacksons perform Gordy tribute at Ebony gala

**NEKESA MUMBI MOODY** AP Entertainment Writer NEW YORK (AP) - Motown founder Berry Gordy recalls that when he first signed The Jackson 5, he sent them to live in a house in California — and the rowdy kids ended up getting kicked out and had to move in with him.

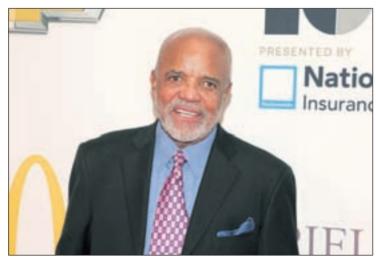
Joked Gordy: "Be careful what you wish for."

On Monday, Marlon Jackson thanked Gordy for "letting us come to your house and tear it up," as well as for putting them on the path to a Rock and Roll Hall of Fame career in a tribute to Gordy at the Ebony Power 100 gala.

"Michael and his brothers were just incredible to be around," he said of the group, fronted by the late Michael Jackson. "I'm happy they're here."

Gordy danced along with the rest of the crowd as the Jacksons — Marlon, Jermaine, Jackie and Tito performed hits such as "Shake Your Body Down to the Ground" and "I Want You Back."

Gordy received a lifetime achievement award at the event, which honored blacks who are wielding considerable power, such as President Barack



Berry Gordy Jr., founder of Motown Records, attends the Ebony Power 100 Gala, on Monday, Nov. 4, 2013, in New York. **Associated Press** 

commentator Van Jones, Jr. and Serena Williams.

Among those in attendance were Magic Johnson, Victor Cruz, Lala Vasquez and Condola Rashad. Nick Cannon was the host of the ceremony, which also featured a performance from the actors from "Motown: The Musical."

Gordy, whose Motown Records not only changed music history but also America's culture with its sound and image, recalled that the first major cover the label got for its artists was Ebony magazine.

"It was the Supremes. They

Obama, Forest Whitaker, had no idea how much it meant to us," said Gordy, educator Henry Louis Gates who took a copy of the cover out of his pocket to show the audience.

> Gordy said Ebony magazine, which has chronicled black culture for decades, was integral to his success. "I feel like I've come full circle because I'm back here at Ebony again," Gordy said. "I really feel like I should be giving them an award because they were so important to giving us the confidence."

> Besides the musical tribute, the Jacksons gave Gordy a plaque of platinum records marking the millions of records they sold as part of Motown Records.

# History network in deal to remake 'Roots'

**NEW YORK (AP)** — A re- won't be made, but the "Roots" is in the works at some time in 2015. the History network.

The network said Tuesday that it had reached a deal with Mark Wolper, whose father, David, made the 1977 "Roots" miniseries, to acquire the rights to remake it. The project is in development, meaning there's a possibility it

make of the groundbreak- commitment makes it likely ing television miniseries the new series will appear

> The first "Roots" series was a television sensation, gripping the country with its story of generations of a slave family.

> History has been particularly successful with miniseries lately, including "The Bible" and "Hatfields & McCoys."
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## Why We Need Obamacare



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The biggest health care crisis in America right now is not the inexcusably messy rollout of Obamacare.

No, far more serious is the kind of catastrophe facing people like Richard Streeter, 47, a truck driver and recreational vehicle repairman in Eugene, Ore. His problem isn't Obamacare, but a tumor in his colon that may kill him because Obamacare didn't come quite soon enough.

Streeter had health insurance for decades, but beginning in 2008 his employer no longer offered it as an option. He says he tried to buy individual health insurance but, as a lifelong smoker in his late 40s, couldn't find anything affordable - so he took a terrible chance and did without.

At the beginning of this year, Streeter began to notice blood in his bowel movements and discomfort in his rectum. Because he didn't have health insurance, he put off going to the doctor and reassured himself that it was just irritation from sitting too many hours.

"I thought it was driving a truck and being on your keister all day," he told me. Finally, the pain became excruciating, and he went to a cut-rate clinic where a doctor, without examining him, suggested that it might be hemorrhoids.

By September, Streeter couldn't stand the pain any longer. He went to another doctor, who suggested a colonoscopy. The cheapest provider he could find was Dr. J. Scott Gibson, a softhearted gastroenterologist who told him that if he didn't have insurance he would do it for \$300 down and \$300 more whenever he had the money.

Streeter made the 100-mile drive to Gibson's office in McMinnville, Ore. - and received devastating news. Gibson had found advanced colon cancer.

"It was heartbreaking to see the pain on his face," Gibson told

"It got me very angry with people who insist that Obamacare is a train wreck, when the real train wreck is what people are experiencing every day because they can't afford care."

Gibson says that Streeter is the second patient he has had this year who put off getting medical attention because of lack of health insurance and now has advanced colon cancer.

So, to those Republicans protesting Obamacare: You're right that there are appalling problems with the website, but they will be fixed. Likewise, you're right that President Barack Obama misled voters when he said that everyone could keep their insurance plan, because that's now manifestly not true (although they will be able to get new and better plans, sometimes for less money).

But how about showing empathy also for a far larger and more desperate group: the nearly 50 million Americans without insurance who play health care Russian roulette as a result. Families USA, a health care advocacy group that supports Obamacare, estimated last year that an American dies every 20 minutes for lack of insurance.

It has been a year since my college roommate, Scott Androes, died of prostate cancer, in part because he didn't have insurance and thus didn't see a doctor promptly. Scott fully acknowledged that he had made a terrible mistake in economizing on insurance, but, in a civilized country, is this a mistake that people should die from?

"Website problems are a nuisance," Gibson said. "Life and death is when you need care and can't afford to get it."

The Institute of Medicine and the National Research Council this year ranked the U.S. health care system last or near last in several categories among 17 countries studied. The Commonwealth Fund put the United States dead last of seven industrialized countries in health care performance. And Bloomberg journalists ranked the U.S. health care system No. 46 in efficiency worldwide, behind Romania and Iran.

The reason is simple: While some Americans get superb care, tens of millions without insurance get marginal care. That's one reason life expectancy is relatively low in America, and child mortality is twice as high as in some European countries. Now that's a scandal.

Yet about half the states are refusing to expand Medicaid to cover more uninsured people because they don't trust Obamacare and want it to fail. The result will be more catastrophes like Streeter's.

"I am tired of being the messenger of death," Gibson said. "Sometimes it's unavoidable. But when people come in who might have been saved if they could have afforded care early on, then to have to tell them that they have a potentially fatal illness - I'm very tired of that."

Streeter met with a radiologist Thursday and is bracing for an arduous and impoverishing battle with the cancer. There's just one bright spot: He signed up for health care insurance under Obamacare, to take effect Jan.

For him, the tragedy isn't that the Obamacare rollout has been full of glitches, but that it may have come too late to save his life.



# Calling America: Hello? Hello? Hello?



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**SINGAPORE** - Having lived and worked abroad for many years, I'm sensitive to the changing ways that foreigners look at America.

Over the years, I've seen an America that was respected, hated, feared and loved. But traveling around China and Singapore last week, I was confronted repeatedly with an attitude toward America that I've never heard before: "What's up with you guys?"

Whether we were feared or loved, America was always the outsized standard by which all others were compared. What we built and what we dreamt were, to many, the definition of the future. Well, today, to many people, we look like the definition of a drunken driver - like a lifelong mentor who has gone on a binge and is no longer predictable. And, as for defining the future, the country that showed the world how to pull together to put a man on the moon and defeat Nazism and Communism, today broadcasts a politics dominated by three phrases: "You can't do that," "It's off the table" and "The president didn't know." A Singaporean official who has been going to America for decades expressed shock to me at being in Washington during the government shutdown and how old and emotionally depressed the city felt.

"Few Americans are aware of how much America has lost in this recent episode of bringing the American economy to the edge of a cliff," said Kishore Mahbubani, the dean of the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy here, and the author of "The Great Convergence: Asia, the West, and the Logic of One World." "People always looked up to America as the best-run country, the most reasonable, the most sensible. And now people are asking: 'Can America manage itself and what are the implications for us'" - if it can't?

In talking to Asian college students, teachers, diplomats and businesspeople, here is how I'd distill what was on their minds: "Are you really going to shut down your government again? Like, who does that? And, by the way, don't think that doesn't affect my business over here, because I'm holding a lot of dollars and I don't know what their value is going to be. Also, how could the people who gave us Amazon, Apple, Microsoft, IBM, HP and Google not be able to build a workable health care website? I know it had 5 million users, but there are 48 million Indonesians on Facebook!"

Worse, whenever you'd visit China or Singapore, it was always the people there who used to be on the defensive when discussing democracy.

Now, as an American, you're the one who wants to steer away from that subject. After all, how much should we be bragging about a system where it takes \$20 million to be elected to the Senate; or where a majority of our members of Congress choose their voters through gerrymandering rather than voters choosing them; or where voting rights laws are being weakened; or where lawmakers spend most of their free time raising money, not studying issues; or where our Congress has become a forum for legalized bribery; or where we just had a minority of a minority credit rating if we didn't overturn an enacted law on health care: or where we can't pass even the most common-sense gun law banning assault weapons after the mass murder of schoolchil-

I still don't believe there would be many takers for the commentary on the official Chinese news agency Xinhua, after the government shutdown, suggesting that it was "perhaps a good time for the befuddled world to start considering building a de-Americanized world." But Xinhua got the befuddled part right. Many people would still line up in a blizzard to come to America, though for too many now that is not because we're the "beacon on the hill" but rather "the cleanest dirty shirt."

Singapore is not a full-fledged democracy. What it does have is a government that wakes up each day asking: What world are we living in, and how do we best use the resources we have to enable more of our citizens to thrive in this world? Little things here catch my eye, like the ERP: the electronic road pricing system that greets you when you drive into the center city and tells you every minute, via an electronic billboard, how much it will automatically charge you when you drive into the downtown. It constantly adjusts the price based on the number of cars that can comfortably fit the roads.

The Bush team tried to fund a similar system to reduce congestion and pollution for Manhattan, but it was killed by other boroughs and lawmakers in Albany, N.Y. And that is what bothers me most today.

It's not just that we can no longer pull together to put a man on the moon. It's that we can't even implement proven common-sense solutions that others have long mastered - some form of national health care, gun control, road pricing, a gasoline tax to escape our budget and carbon bind.

As Andy Karsner, the former assistant secretary of energy who participated in last week's New York Times forum here, remarked to me: "This is the first time I have visited Singapore where its modernity is not a novelty, but a depressing contrast." Because, he added, you know that all the modernity and prosperity you see here "is not based on natural resources but on a natural resourcefulness - and on implementing with ease best practices, many of which ironically originated in the United States."



# Going public: How Twitter's IPO will work

## **KEN SWEET Associated Press**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — In the most anticipated stock debut of the year, millions of Twitter shares will change hands later this week after the New York Stock Exchange's opening bell.

But how will each share move through Wall Street to the mutual funds held by investors? It's a complex process that comes down to one veteran trader at a workstation on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, who must sift through thousands of

preliminary stock price and tinues to rise. Twitter has aldate for the first day of trading.

THE NIGHT BEFORE THE IPO: — The company has finished making it case to potential investors. Its investment banks have taken orders from their biggest clients. In Twitter's case, investment banks Goldman Sachs, Morgan Stanley and JPMorgan Chase are handling orders for the 70 million shares offered in the company's IPO.

 Large institutional investors, such pension funds, ready raised its projected price range from an earlier \$17 to \$20 a share.

— The company approves the price and issues the shares to its investment banks. Twitter is expected to set the price late Wednesday.

— The investment banks, or underwriters, immediately sell the IPO shares to clients, based on the orders it took earlier. The shares mostly go to big investors. Only a small percentage of individual investors will get shares in the IPO at this

stock price won't change the amount raised by Twitter. The 70 million shares will be owned by public investors, who can trade them among each other.

## THE DAY OF THE IPO:

 Before the stock market opens, a "designated market maker" arrives on the floor of the NYSE and starts processing orders from the night before. The DMM is like a conductor for a company's stock. He or she is an experienced stock trader in charge of ensuring the buying and selling goes smoothly. If trading becomes volatile, the DMM can step in and buy shares using his firm's own money. It's good to have this safety net if things go wrong with the IPO. DMMs, who used to be called specialists, are unique to the NYSE.

— Around 9:15 a.m., fifteen minutes before the market opens, traders get a first taste of the public demand for a company's shares. Twitter's DMM will work through any initial orders to get a price quote for newly-issued shares. The price quote is typically in a ranae.

 At 9:30 a.m. company executives ring the bell to open the NYSE.

 Twitters' stock is expected to start trading Thursday morning, when traders will gather around the DMM. The traders, who represent dozens of clients and hundreds of investors who may buy or sell, start placing their own orders. The area can become crowded as dozens of traders compete for the attention of Twitter's DMM.

 Company executives head down to Twitter's location on the NYSE to observe the first trade.

— The NYSE's floor traders shout their orders to the DMM. Some investors want to buy the IPO, some are clients who got shares in the IPO overnight and want to sell a portion of their holdings. The DMM's job is to find that right price for a company's newly-offered shares.

"We're trying to give an opportunity to everyone to get into the stock," says Matt Cheslock, a DMM for Virtu Financial who works at the NYSE.

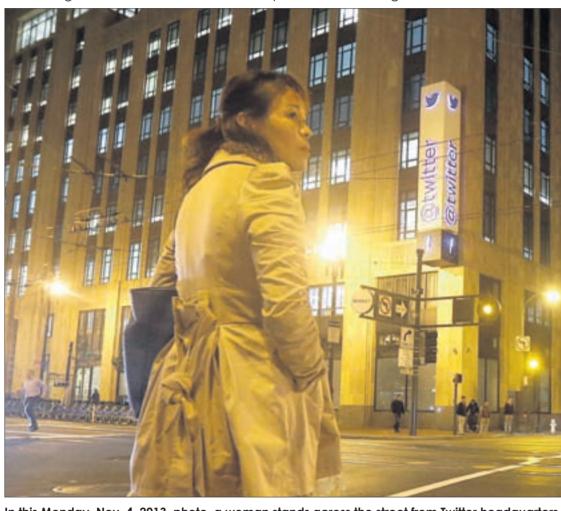
— The DMM, floor traders and underwriters work to find the right starting price for newly-issued shares. This is called price discovery. For example, Twitter's price range of \$23 to \$25 may narrow to \$23.50 to \$25, if demand is high enough.

 Price discovery may take a few minutes or an hour once the market opens. It depends on how the underwriters and DMM want to handle a company's first trade and how much demand exists for an IPO stock, says David Ethridge, who heads up the IPO business for the NYSE. For example, Chinese tech company 58.com went public last week and it took roughly 20 minutes from the opening bell to start trading. Mortgage insurance company Essent Group, which went public the same day, took about 35 minutes to begin trading.

"When you're getting close to that first trade, you can really feel the energy in the room start to rise," says Jonathan Corpina, a NYSE floor trader with Meridian Equity Partners.

 Once the DMM thinks the company's stock is priced correctly, he or she will "freeze the book," saying that that no more stock orders can be placed. The accepted orders are processed, and the stock opens to trading. If problems arise, the NYSE can bypass the electronic system and use humans to trade Twitter's stock, Cheslock said.

- Once the stock starts trading, any investor can start buying and selling the shares. Individual investors often buy new shares of a company at this point. IPOs are very risky though. Even if the company is considered a good investment, its shares can struggle once the enthusiasm for the IPO fades. For example, Facebook's shares had an IPO price of \$38, but fell as low as \$18 each in the months after it went public.



In this Monday, Nov. 4, 2013, photo, a woman stands across the street from Twitter headquarters in San Francisco. As Wall Street analysts size up Twitter ahead of its first public stock sale this week, more than a few are expressing concern about the company's lack of profits. (AP Photo/Jeff Chiu)

orders and dozens of yelling traders to determine the right price for Twitter's opening trade. The process of an initial public offering begins when a company decides it needs more money — and turns to the investing public to raise the cash.

The company hires an investment bank to guide it through the process. The company opens its books to regulators and the public, takes its business plan on the road, and pitches itself to big, professional investors. Finally, it sets a

mutual funds, and hedge funds, will get first priority, followed by brokerage houses and individual investors, who get a very small percentage of the shares at this point. The banks try to place shares with investors who plan to hold onto the stock.

 The company decides on a final stock price based on demand from investors and advice from its investment banks. Twitter's stock is expected to start trading between \$23 and \$25 a share. But it could go higher if demand con-

 New shareholders start preparing orders for the next day. Some shareholders want to sell all or part of their newly-acquired stock. Some want to add to their holdings if they didn't get as much stock as they hoped.

— Twitter will have made its money. When the stocks starts trading the next day, company executives will ring the opening bell and applaud as trading opens on the floor of the NYSE. But all the hoopla, buying and selling, and changes in the